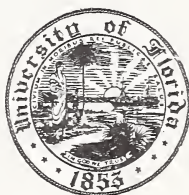



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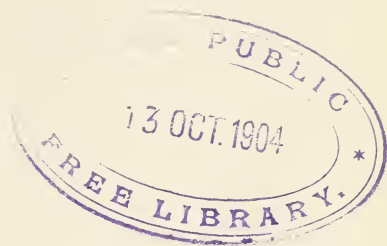
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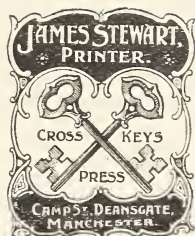
INCLUDING
SKETCHES OF THE TOWNSHIPS OF NEWTON WITH KIRKMANSHULME,
FAILSWORTH, AND BRADFORD,
BUT EXCLUSIVE OF THE TOWNSHIPS OF DROYLSDEN AND MOSTON.

TOGETHER WITH
Notices of Local Families and Persons.

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PREFACE.

THIS History has had perforce to be written *ex cathedrâ*, that is to say, from an arm-chair, without personal opportunity for checking second-hand information by the originals, and with only such knowledge of the localities¹ as was acquired by passing through the Townships by rail, and by occasional visits, in years gone by, mostly on foot and for professional purposes, when the history of the place was not at all uppermost in the mind. As this is one of the series of local histories commenced by the late Rev. Mr. Booker, the remark made by him in the Preface to his *History of Blackley* is appropriate :—"Constant residence in a neighbourhood affords opportunities for observation and enquiries which no mere occasional visits, however often repeated, can secure."

No one regrets more than myself that ill-health should have prevented the late Rev. E. F. Letts, Rector of Newton, from executing the task. He had the two

¹ Genealogically my connection with the Newton Chapelry is that my (maternal) grand-mother's grand-mother was Ann Hall of Droylsden, who married William Hulton of Hulton, and died in 1802. She was descended from a line of six consecutive John Halls of the Clock House in Droylsden, beginning with John Hall who died before Dec. 31, 1646, while my wife's grand-mother was Margaret, daughter of Otho Hulme, who lived at Medlock Vale, Newton, within a shout of the Clock House, Droylsden, and Otho was son of Otho, son of Ralph, son of Otho son of Otho Hulme, who died in 1675.

requisites of great antiquarian taste and an intimate knowledge of his own parish of All Saints', Newton, and of the adjacent Townships, which formerly constituted the Newton Chapelry. He died, while the book was in the printer's hands, at Bournemouth, on March 24, 1904, aged 53. He was ordained Deacon in 1875 and Priest in 1877. From 1876 to 1878 he was Curate of Wolvercote, Oxford, and from 1878 to 1885 was a Minor Canon and Precentor of Manchester Cathedral. In an obituary notice the *Manchester City News*, April 2, 1904, described him as of unusual height and handsome person, with a temper of a broad and genial type befitting his stature.

It was not until June, 1903, that the compilation of this History passed into my hands, and unfortunately it was found that Mr. Letts had made no written record of the ample information he possessed. My editorial efforts were limited to a re-arrangement of a copy (made on about a hundred foolscap pages, for the late John Eglington Bailey who, at one time, intended to write the History for this Society), of notes made by the accomplished and painstaking late John Higson, author of the *Gorton Historical Recorder*, *History of Droylsden*, etc.

The information contained in his works has supplemented his notes just mentioned, and his widow and one of his sons have generously placed further material accumulated by him, at my service.

I have likewise availed myself of the records made by the late Jo. Miller of Church Street, Newton, in the *All*

Saints', *Newton, Parish Magazine*, some of which were repeated in the *Manchester Courier's* series of *Local Gleanings*, and I have gleaned extensively from the Owen MSS. in the Manchester Reference Library.

I am deeply indebted to our ever helpful Secretary, Mr. Sutton, as well as to the Dean and Canons of Manchester Cathedral, and their Clerk and Manorial Steward, Mr. Lewis A. Orford; to the Manchester Corporation and their esteemed Town Clerk, Mr. W. H. Talbot, and his Deputy, Mr. Hudson; to the Failsworth Local Board and their Clerk, Mr. H. C. Broome; the Overseers of Failsworth and their Assistant, Mr. Daniel Ogden; to Councillors Rothwell and Trevor of Newton; the Rev. O. A. Peach, Curate-in-charge of All Saints', Newton; the Rev. Edwin Jones, Rector of St. Anne's, Newton; the Rev. Joseph Barnes, Rector of Failsworth; the Rev. James Morris of Failsworth, the Rev. Alexander Gordon, Dr. W. A. Shaw, and Messrs. Ernest Axon, J. E. Balmer, W. H. B. Bird, R. A. Edgar, W. Farrer, A. Fletcher, A. F. Herford, Arthur T. Holden, W. F. Irvine, A. F. Maclure, S. H. Needham, P. Percival, author of *Failsworth Folk*, C. Roeder, James Smith, W. A. Tonge, and many others.

To the gentle, but argus-eyed and omniscient critic, I would remark *Nec Deus, nec Papa, homunculus sum, et humanum est errare.*

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From Photograph by C. A. Jackson Oldham.

JOHN HIGSON,
Historian of Gorton, Droylsden, etc.



From Photograph by Lane, Photo Co., Hulme.

JOHN OWEN,
"Old Mortality,"
Compiler of the Owen MSS.



A

History of Newton Chapelry

IN THE

PARISH OF MANCHESTER.

CHAPTER I.

THE Ancient Parish of Manchester formerly comprised thirty Townships,¹ namely :—

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| 1. Ardwick. | 16. Harpurhey. |
| 2. Beswick (extra parochial). | 17. Heaton Norris. |
| 3. Blackley. | 18. Houghton. |
| 4. Bradford. | 19. Hulme. |
| 5. Broughton. | 20. Levenshulme. |
| 6. Burnage. | 21. Manchester. |
| 7. Cheetham. | 22. Moss Side. |
| 8. Crumpsall. | 23. Moston. |
| 9. Chorlton-cum-Hardy. | 24. Newton, with 24a Kirk- |
| 10. Chorlton-upon-Medlock. | manshulme. |
| 11. Denton. | 25. Openshaw. |
| 12. Didsbury. | 26. Rusholme. |
| 13. Droylsden, covering Clayton | 27. Reddish. |
| 14. Failsworth. | 28. Salford. |
| 15. Gorton. | 29. Stretford. |
| | 30. Withington. |

¹ In 1896 all the townships (except Manchester) within the extended City of Manchester were transformed into two, North Manchester comprising Nos. 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 16, 23 and 24, and South Manchester comprising Nos. 1, 10, 19, 25, 26, and part of 15.

This immense Parish,¹ which in 1851 contained 35,151 acres and 452,158 inhabitants, was served by the Church at Manchester, which was collegiate in 1419, and was promoted to the rank of Cathedral in 1847, in which year the Manchester Bishopric Bill was passed and the Rev. James Prince Lee, M.A., Headmaster of K. Edw. VI.'s Grammar School, Birmingham, was appointed the first Bishop. The Manchester Parish Division Act was passed on July 29, 1850 (13 and 14 Vic., cap. 41).

The Parish extended about five miles to the northerly side of Blackley, four miles north-eastwardly to Stake Leach in Fails-worth beyond Newton, four miles eastwardly to the edge of Ashton Moss, about six miles south-eastwardly to the River Tame in Houghton, and a mile further south to Houghton Green; over six miles south-eastwardly to the Mersey at Stockport, about seven miles southwardly to the furthest part of Didsbury beyond the Mersey by Gatley Ford, over five miles south-west to the furthest point of Chorlton-cum-Hardy, and five miles southward to the furthest part of Stretford. The part of the Parish that lay to the west, on the Salford side of the Irwell, did not exceed three miles in width.

Inasmuch as the aged and infirm parishioners would have been unable to traverse such great distances to and from the Parish Church, it is highly probable that that Church or the chief Lords of the Manors within the Parish provided at very early dates, oratories² for the convenience of themselves and their tenantry,

¹ Until 1427 it included the Parish of Ashton-under-Lyne, with 17,614 acres. There was a church, St. Michael's, at Ashton. This explains the entry in Domesday Book, "The Church of St. Mary [at Manchester] and the Church of St. Michael [at Ashton] were holding a carucate of land free of all customs except geld." [Booker's *Blackley*, p. 27.]

² In 1352 Didsbury Chapelyard was dedicated for burial purposes (Axon's *Annals of Manchester*, p. 18.)

There was a clericus of Stretford in 1326, and a chapel of Stretford in 1413, both probably provided by the Traffords (*Hist. of Stretford*, Cheth. Soc., N.S., vol. 42 p. 48).

In 1400 a licence was granted to Sir John Byron to have "an oratory for one year in his Manors of Clayton and Butterworth." In 1411 the same licence was renewed

and thus in course of time chapelries with undefined districts became established.

By 1573 (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 81) these Chapelries were seven—(1) Blackley including Crumpsall, Harpurhey, part of Cheetham, and part of Moston; (2) Newton including part of Moston, Failsworth, Bradford, and Droylsden; (3) Gorton including Openshaw and Kirkmanshulme; (4) Denton including Haughton and Reddish; (5) Didsbury including Moss Side, Rusholme, Burnage, Withington, Levenshulme, and Heaton Norris; (6) Chorlton; (7) Stretford. An eighth Chapel, that of Birch-in-Rusholme was erected after 1579, and in 1598 was described as "latelie erected" (Booker's *Birch*, p. 137).

The history of each of these Chapelries was intended to have been compiled by the Rev. John Booker, M.A., son-in-law of Bishop Lee, and he dealt with them as follows:—

1. Blackley in 1854, Moston forming pp. 132-193 of the volume.

2. Denton in 1855 (Chetham Soc., vol. xxxvii).

3, 4. Didsbury and Chorlton in 1857 (Cheth. Soc., vol. xlii.).

5. Birch, otherwise Rusholme, in 1859 (Cheth. Soc., vol. xlvii.).¹

In 1859 Mr. Booker left the neighbourhood of Manchester, and the rest of his self-imposed task remained unaccomplished.

Since then the Chetham Society has endeavoured to finish the series, and the *Hist. of Stretford* having been dealt with in three vols., Nos. 42, 45, and 51 of their new series, this *History of Newton Chapelry* will conclude the task.

It was hoped by the Society for some years that the Rev. E. F. Letts, as Rector of Newton, would have been able to accomplish the task, for which he was so eminently fitted, but the public

and extended to all his manors in Lancashire. The private chapel at Clayton Hall would be probably resorted to by the inhabitants of Newton, Droylsden Failsworth, &c. (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 3). There was a chapel in Blackley in 1548; it, too, was a private oratory of the Byron family, who held the village from the Lord de la Warre, and it was probably erected under the 1411 licence (*op. cit.* p. 49).

¹ Gorton was treated by Mr. Higson in his *Gorton Histor. Recorder*, 1852, and Droylsden, part of Newton Chapelry, was also treated by him in 1859.

must rest satisfied with the exhibition of his historical skill in his various papers relating to the Manchester Cathedral in the Transactions of the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society, and with that afforded by the publication in 1902 of *Nicholas Mosley, loyalist, a tale of the Civil Wars*, which he wrote in collaboration with his daughter, Miss M. F. S. Letts, and which relates to Collyhurst and other places in the neighbourhood of Newton and Manchester.

Having regard to the existence of Mr. Booker's lengthy (but alas! unindexed) notice of Moston in his *History of Blackley Chapel* (pp. 132-193), and to Mr. Higson's comprehensive *History of Droylsden*, it has been thought right to exclude those parts of the Newton Chapelry District from notice in this volume, except as far as incidental to the rest or supplementary to Booker's and Higson's records. Mr. John Higson's¹ notes on the Newton Chapelry have formed the basis of the present work.

NEWTON TOWNSHIP.

THE township of Newton comprised—(1) the Newton Heath main portion, beginning at Miles Platting, a mile N.E. of New Cross, Manchester, and extending right and left of Oldham Road for two miles till it met Failsworth; (2) the hamlet of Kirkmanshulme, lying detached, on but mostly E. of Stockport Road, about two miles S.E. of Manchester Cathedral, and about two miles south of the Medlock, which forms the southerly boundary of the Newton Heath portion.

¹ Mr. Higson was born at Whiteley Farm, Gorton, on July 25, 1825, and was baptised at the Manchester Collegiate Church on October 30 of that year. On November 6, 1848, he married, at St. Mary's Church, Droylsden, Elizabeth Caroline Green, who is still living. By her he had six sons and two daughters, who all survived him except one son, who died in infancy.

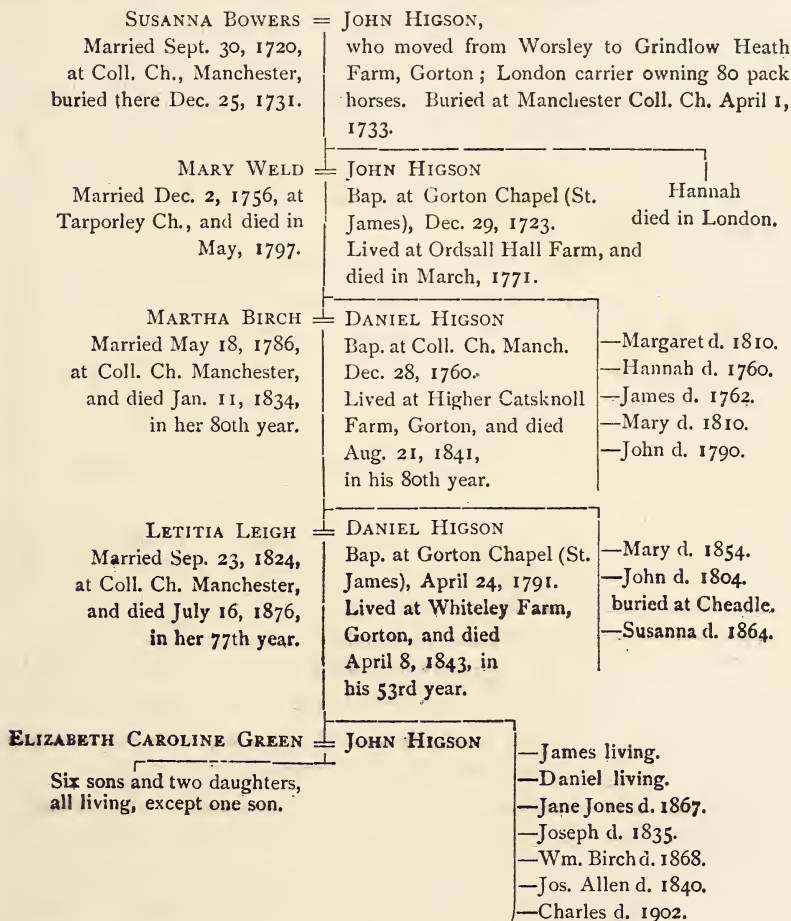
Mr. Higson, besides the well known and much appreciated *Gorton Historical Recorder* and *History of Droylsden*, compiled a list of *Gortons of Gorton*, a Glossary of the Lancashire dialect (unpublished), and a *History of Lees*, near Oldham (also unpublished). He likewise wrote *Five Days' Walks and Drives in East Lancashire*, and some hundreds of newspaper articles dealing with the local history of South-east Lancashire.

At the time of his death on December 13, 1871, he was resident at Lees, being then

ETYMOLOGY.

THE name New-ton is a very common one. There are about a hundred places in England so named, and they are therefore generally distinguished by an addition, in the same way that Newton near Manchester is commonly called Newton Heath. There were

cashier to the Springhead Spinning Co. He was interred at St. Mary's Church, Droylsden. I am indebted for this information to his son, Mr. Charles E. Higson, of Leesfield, Lees, who has also furnished the following outline pedigree :—



numerous other -tons in the neighbourhood, and at some time or other this ton or townlet was entitled to the epithet of New. The name is Anglo-Saxon. It is about midway between Manchester and *Old*-ham, and may have received its name to distinguish it from that place.

NEWTON ABOUT 1820.

IN writing the history of a place it is permissible to trace back from what is modern and well ascertained, to what is older and less certain, and the record afforded by maps makes a good foundation.

With this object a copy is here given of part of the Map of Lancashire engraved by Billinge of Liverpool, on the scale of one inch to a mile, and published in 1787 by Wm. Yates of Liverpool from a survey made by him and Wm. Green between 1778 and 1787.

The next published map in order of date which deals with the whole of Newton Chapelry District, and is most generally useful, is that of the Parish of Manchester, published in 1820 by Wm. Johnson, from a survey made by him in 1818 and 1819, and on a scale of four inches to the mile. A revised edition of his Map was issued in 1838. These maps precede the 6-inch scale Ordnance Map of 1845 or thereabouts, and may be compared with it.

Of earlier maps Casson & Berry's Map of Manchester, 1750 (see Procter's *Bygone Manchester*), and that of Tinker in 1772 do not extend as far as Miles Platting, which is the south-westerly commencement of Newton Township on the road to Oldham.

Laurent's Map in 1793 extends little beyond Butler Street on the way to Miles Platting, and Green (1787-1794), though he includes the extreme south-westerly part of Newton in detail, furnishes few place-names. On his map the part of Newton shown is marked as owned by the Church of Manchester. Beginning at the north he shows a brook (which on the six-inch Ordnance Map of 1845 was called Newton Brook), skirting the Township alongside the hedges of two fields on the northerly side of the main



PART OF YATES' MAP OF LANCASHIRE, 1787.

road, and forming the boundary of Newton and Manchester, the land on the Manchester side being marked Norman & Co. This brook flows onward across the main road and continues to form the boundary as far as an unnamed building at Butler Street, where it meets a brook from the east, which on the Ordnance Map is called Shooter's Brook.

The boundary line turns eastwardly to follow the upward course of Shooter's Brook, the land on the south or Manchester side being marked Sir J. P. Mosley. The Ordnance Map calls the field wedged in between the two brooks "Gaggs Field," and by 1845 a considerable part of this side of the Township from Shooter's Brook to Oldham Road was occupied by "Newton Cottages" and rope walks.¹

Green's Map of 1787 shows in clear detail that Oldham Road crossed Newton Brook by a small bridge, such as was commonly called a Platting or Platt, just as the Gore Brook is crossed at Rusholme by such a bridge from which is derived the place-name Platt. Close to this Newton Platting there was the first mile-stone from Manchester, and from this combination of circumstances arose the place-name, Miles Platting.

Green's Map further shows at this point, on the north side of the road and within Newton, a long building, which the Tithe Map in 1846 calls the White Hart, obtruding onto the roadway, with two gardens, one alongside the brook and the other alongside the road. The building and this latter garden have the appearance of having been at some time built on what was once a strip of waste land bordering the road. A little further off and on the same side of the road Green shows a pond, which was probably an ancient one. The recessed piece of waste between brook and pond no doubt became less and less used for any road purpose, and was "squatted" on by some one.

¹ Slater's *Manchester Directory*, 1845, includes amongst the Rope and Twine Manufacturers, James Ball, 192, Oldham Road, Thos. Ball, 210, Oldham Road, Thos. Holmes, Newton Heath, and Wm. Williamson, 14, Mitchell Street, Newton Heath.



Green's Map also shows a road branching off to the north-west. It is not named, but led to Collyhurst Hall within Manchester. The land on the southerly side of this Collyhurst Lane is marked Bentley, Esq., and the second field from the Platting is called Coal Pit meadow, because it contained a coal pit.

Similarly on the other side of the main road a lane branched off in the opposite direction, and the Ordnance Map calls it Cow Lane.¹ It ran south-eastwardly through the fields, and had a spur running northwardly at the end of the first field. The spur led to the back of houses (called Mile House and Platting House on the Newton Tithe Map of 1846), which stood on the south-east side of Oldham Road.

Along the short length of the main road within Newton shown by Green there were, including those just referred to as Mile House and Platting House, four buildings at intervals on the south-east side, and the then intended course of the Rochdale Canal, crossing Cow Lane near the spur, is indicated by dotted lines. The canal as actually constructed lies more to the south-east.

Returning now to Johnson's Map in 1820, Miles Platting is named where Collyhurst Lane joins the main road, and a building on the north side of the lane is marked Collyhurst Mill. On the Ordnance Map in 1845 it is called Platting Cotton Mill. A little further along the lane a new road or street, called Percival Street according to the Ordnance Map, branched off northwardly, and for some distance skirted Newton Township, but turned north-west before reaching a lane, called Lamb lane in 1845, on the south-west side of which "Whitworth Hall" is marked in Gothic letters to denote its antiquity.

On the south-east side of the main road, Johnson indicates but does not name Cow Lane, running south-east as far as the existing canal, and then east and north-east into the lane on

¹ Cow Lane and part of Hulme Hall Lane are included in Banks & Thornton's large scale map of Manchester in 1831.

which Hulme Hall stands, and some small buildings are shown at the junction with Hulme Hall Lane. At the Miles Platting end of Cow Lane, Johnson marks "1 mile," and the main road is lettered "Oldham Road or Newton Lane."

Passing along the main road, before reaching the Whitworth Hall Lane, otherwise Lamb Lane, a long terrace of houses is shown, by Johnson, on each side of Oldham Road, and a small building, marked "T.B." (Toll Bar), standing in the western angle of Whitworth Hall Lane. There are two small buildings on the south-west side of Lamb Lane, close to the Township boundary, and these are marked "Whitworth Hall."

Just beyond Lamb Lane, after passing on the southerly side of the road a building, which in 1845 had a bowling green behind it, Hulme Hall Lane (though not so lettered) branches to the south-east, with a cluster of four buildings, marked "Hulme Hall," about half-way between the main road and the canal. Beyond Hulme Hall and the canal bridge are three small buildings, two on the south-west, and one on the north-east side, and further on, where the lane from Miles Platting joins Hulme Hall Lane, and close to the easterly side of Shooter's Brook, there are two other buildings. The lane continues south-eastwardly from the canal to the old Roman Road called Back Lane, which is shown branching from Ancoats Lane to Butlers Lane, which it crosses, and then continues in a direct line north-eastwardly as far as Newton Chapel, where it suddenly breaks off, though it is shown to begin again about three-quarters of a mile further on in Failsworth Township.

Johnson marks four coal pits, two in the north-east quarter and two in the south-east quarter of the block of land which is enclosed within the main road, Hulme Hall Lane, the canal, and Cow Lane; and two more coal pits are shown beyond the canal and near to Shooter's Brook.

Returning to Hulme Hall Lane, about half-way between Cow Lane and Back Lane, after Shooter's Brook is crossed, and past the two buildings already mentioned on the north-east side

of the lane, there is a dotted line of road shown, leading as a carriage drive to "The Grange," which in the Tithe Map is called "Newton Grange," and which was an important residence on the edge of the high ground overlooking the River Medlock.

The Grange at that time had a secondary approach road running southwardly from the house to Hulme Hall Lane, which it joined not far from the "Iron Bridge" over the Medlock. A rivulet, which joined that river at the Bridge, ran between The Grange and Back Lane, and commenced near Cheetham Fold on Back Lane. This rivulet was impounded into two lakes, with the northerly carriage drive to The Grange passing between them.

The continuation of Hulme Hall Lane beyond the Medlock will be dealt with in the Bradford section.

Returning to the main road, Johnson shows on the south-east side a detached building, which is perhaps Newton Place, and before reaching "Slater's Lane" (otherwise Grimshaw Lane) some buildings are marked "White Gates," and Shooter's Brook began a little south of this spot. On the north-west side of the main road are three buildings about half way between Hulme Hall Lane and "Holt Lane,"¹ otherwise Monsall Lane, and two more opposite White Gates.

Holt or Monsall Lane runs northwardly, and ends at two buildings, one in 1820 called "Monsall Cottage," and the further in 1845 called Monsall Silk Dye Works on the Ordnance Map.² Half way along this lane at the bend and on its north-east side are some buildings which in 1845 are called Hardy's Fold, and on the

¹ Holt Lane was called after Joseph Holt, who bought the Monsall Estate and left it to his son John, whose son John sold it in 1791 (*vide post*).

² An account and view of the Monsal Dyeworks of John Berrie Limited was given in *Manchester Faces and Places*, vol. viii. pp. 143-4. They were occupied by Mr. John Berrie from 1830. Graham's *Calico Printing* (MS. written in 1846; in Manchester Reference Library) states:--Mounsel, near Blackley, Manchester. Began printing by Jas. Howarth & Co. about 1834 in water colours only. Gave up to be manager for Brown and Powell, Stockport. Has been occupied by one Carrey; did delaines; had 12 tables; he failed. It is now (1846) Silk Dye Works by Henry Hilton, and has been much improved.

same side, half way between that point and Monsall Cottage, are two more buildings named "Monsall House."

The west side of Holt or Monsall Lane has six buildings shown on Johnson's Map along the quarter length nearest to the main road, with a short branch beyond them, and those nearest Oldham Road are marked Newton Heath Brewery on the 1845 Ordnance Map.

Slater's Lane was almost opposite Holt Lane, and in 1845 was also called Grimshaw Lane.

This lane, at a cluster of four buildings beyond the canal, turned to the east and ran in a zigzag to "Ten Acre Lane."

About three-quarters of the way from Oldham Road to the canal there were three buildings on the north-east, and these were owned by Joseph Grimshaw's Exōrs in 1846, showing the origin of the name for the lane. Another building lay behind them, and is called "Woodlands" by Johnson's Map and "Summer House" by the Ordnance Map.

Oldham Road, between Slater's Lane and Ten Acre Lane, had on the northerly side one building, which is seemingly the same as that shown and marked "Kemp's" on the Heath Allotment Map of 1804, and opposite the "Cross Keys." It was on the east side of a place called Slater's Gardens in 1845.

On the south side of Oldham Road along the same length there were six buildings, occupying however the half length on Johnson's Map, nearest Slater's Lane.

The third of these buildings Johnson calls "Monkey House," but the Allotment Map of 1804 shows two buildings, and calls them "Monkey Houses," and to the east of them a double building called "Cross-keys," and then the cottage of J. Roades. The National School had been built before 1845 in the westerly angle of Oldham Road, and Grimshaw, otherwise Slater's, Lane.

Ten Acre Lane had a house in the easterly angle where it left the main road, and no other building until, after crossing the canal, the junction of Slater's Lane was reached, and here there was another house on the east side. Ten Acre Lane crossed

"Back Lane," and at a cluster of buildings, called "Baguley Fold" in 1845, near the edge of Medlock Valley, the lane branched right and left; the south-west branch met and crossed an unnamed lane that is not shown on the Ordnance Map in 1845, but which started from Back Lane and slanted south-eastwardly to the bank of the Medlock, where it ended; but as it passed a bend in the river it was crossed by a private road, which came from Baguley Fold, and which crossed the Medlock by a small bridge to some printworks (Bank Bridge) on the other side in Droylsden, and continued skirting the boundary of Droylsden and Bradford for half the distance between the Medlock and the Ashton Canal.

The north-east turn at the southerly end of Ten Acre Lane led to two buildings, named "Rose Hill," and after a bit turned sharply to the north into Back Lane, where two buildings (Cheetham Fold) are indicated, one in the westerly angle of the junction, and the other in a recess on the north side, opposite the junction, where in 1845 a cotton mill is marked.

Returning to Oldham Road, the Ordnance Map in 1845 shows on the north side, nearly opposite Ten Acre Lane, an "accommodation bridge," called "Wellock's,"¹ crossing the railway, and Johnson's Map in 1820 shows, about half way to the second milestone, which then stood at the bend of the road, and not at the corner of Ten Acre Lane, a house on the southerly side of Oldham Road at a slight bend. On the Allotment Map of 1804, this house is marked "Three Crowns," and on the Ordnance Map in 1845, a bowling green behind it is shown.²

¹ The bridge is called after William Wellock, who in 1846 was occupant of the house in the westerly angle formed by Oldham Road and an occupation road or foot-path that crossed the bridge, and ran onwards over Moston Brook and past Lily Lane Farm in Moston. Wellock was farmer of land leased by the Dean and Canons to Elizabeth Hulme, widow of Otho Hulme of Medlock Vale.

² Johnson's Map in 1820 omits, but the 1838 edition shows, a road running northwardly from Oldham Road just east of the bend, and leading down to buildings on Moston Brook, which the Ordnance Map of 1845 calls Newton Vale Dyeworks. The Ordnance Map also calls the bridge that carries the road over the railway "Thorp's

About as far again beyond the milestone, and on the south side of Oldham Road, stood a cluster of four buildings, with another in the field opposite the most easterly house, and then, after an interval, a short lane ran northwardly to a detached house, which on the Allotment Map in 1804 is marked "Ratcliffe," and rather more than half way between that short lane and the more important one (Dean Lane), which led northwardly to Light Bown Hall in Moston, there was a short lane (now Mitchell Street) branching off the south side of the main road, and running across the canal. This lane had two buildings close to the canal on the west side of the lane, and these buildings in 1804 on the Allotment Map are marked "Mitchell's."

At the entrance to Lightbown Hall Lane, otherwise Dean Lane,¹ a building stood on each side of it, and a few yards down the lane, a short side road led westwardly to five buildings, marked "Warden House." Further on, at an angle in the lane, rather more than half way to Moston Brook, a house stood on the east side. The branch road, north-eastwardly from Dean Lane into Moston, was apparently made between 1820 and 1838.

Between Dean Lane and the Failsworth boundary, there were in 1820, first, a cluster of four buildings (The Cloughs), about half way to Droylsden Road, otherwise Graver Lane, and opposite to that lane there was another cluster of four houses, which had been built since 1804, and then, nearer the boundary, two more buildings, which in 1804 on the Allotment Map are marked "Hillock, Wm. Wood."

Opposite Dean Lane, "Chapel Highway," (now Church Street) ran south-eastwardly over the canal, according to Johnson's Map of 1820. A building, which had been built since 1804, stood in the easterly angle of the junction of the main road and lane, and two more (the one nearest the canal being "Victoria Brewery"

Bridge," and a house north of the railway is marked "Somerset House." The road was formed after 1804 through Thorpe's Estate, showing the origin of the name of the bridge.

¹ Also called Moston Highway in 1804.

in 1845) stood on the east side, between main road and canal. Newton Silk Mill is marked in 1845 east of the Brewery, and a bowling green (attached to the Woodman Inn) is marked north of the Brewery, and was occupied about 1870 by—Bates. Another house ("Poor House" in 1804) stood in the centre of the block of land enclosed by this lane, the canal, Graver Lane, and the Lane north of the Chapel; and another ("School" in 1804) in the north-east angle of the junction of "Chapel Highway" and the Lane north of the Chapel.

Along Back Lane, between Cheetham Fold and Chapel Highway, there were two short lanes off the south side, the easterly one serving "Crown Point," and the westerly leading to a sort of Fold. ("Scotland Hall" in 1845), near the edge of Medlock Vale. A building stood in 1820 in the south-west angle of the junction of this Scotland Hall Lane and Back Lane, and in 1846 it was occupied by Geo. Briscoe, under lease from Jas. Ackers.

Newton Chapel stood on the line of Back Lane, between Culcheth Lane and Graver Lane.

Passing southwardly down Culcheth Lane, Taylor Lane (to a house called "Scutch Buttock"¹ in 1845), branched off south-westerly not far beyond the Chapelyard, where a farm of three buildings (not shown in 1804, but called "Newton House" in 1845) stood, and a short lane (Daisy Bank) as far again from Back Lane, ran eastwardly to three more buildings called "Robinson's Cottages" in 1804, and "Culcheth Gates" in 1845. From that point onwards Culcheth Lane was devoid of buildings until "Culcheth" and "Culcheth Hall" (in Gothic letters) was reached. Passing through the Hall fold the lane reached some "Print Works" (Dye and Bleach Works in 1845, and then occupied by Edwd. Whitehead), and at the Droylsden boundary the lane bent westwardly to a bridge which led to a house called "Clayton Vale," and to Clayton Vale Printworks on the south side of the Medlock.

¹ Between Scutch Buttock and Scotland Hall there was a Marsh in 1845.

Returning to Oldham Road, there were two buildings built after 1804 standing in 1820 on the south side of Oldham Road, between "Chapel Highway" (otherwise Church Street) and Graver Lane (otherwise Droylsden Road), and another building, likewise built after 1804, stood in the westerly angle of the junction of Oldham Road with Graver Lane, and another building built after 1804, (called Heath Hall in 1845) stood in the easterly angle, with a row of trees extending from the house to a pond near three buildings at the Failsworth boundary, which are marked "Dob Lane End," and another building stood in 1820 in the north-west angle of the boundary line and Oldham Road, and was marked "Post Office" in 1845.

Passing down Graver Lane, in 1820 a building faced the opening of Back Lane, and on the south-west side, just beyond Newton Chapel, there were two small houses; the one nearest the church in 1845 was marked "Parsonage" on the Ordnance Map. In 1820 a lane (called Walker's Lane in 1804, and Long Lane in 1845) branched north-easterly from Graver Lane at a point equal in distance to that between Back Lane and Oldham Road. This long lane led to a fold ("Walker's Cottages" in 1804) containing three blocks of building at the Township boundary, with a north-westerly branch to another house (Stott's in 1804), and a short north-easterly continuation to two buildings (Mitchel's in 1804) in Failsworth, and (in 1804) a south-east branch to "James Tetlow's Field."

Graver Lane, beyond this branch, had, in 1820, on its south-west side a long row of houses (Botany Bay in 1845) forming an angle with the lane, and two detached cottages ("J. Tetlow" in 1804) to the west of the row's end. A cottage faced the easterly end of the row, and two detached houses ("Wood's" in 1804) stood in the field to the north of that cottage. In 1845 this part of the lane was called "New Street," because the road had been straightened since 1804, when the road eastwardly into Failsworth did not exist, except perhaps as a footpath or field-road. The road into Failsworth from Graver Lane was made between 1820 and 1838.

Graver Lane turned southwardly, and was called Greaves Lane in 1845.

In 1820, a building stood in the west angle of the bend, and another on the east side of the road and another on the west side of Graver Lane nearer Botany Bay.

After the road was made into Failsworth from the bend, Graver Lane and other lanes formed a capital letter E, of which Graver Lane was the downstroke, and it passed down a valley (Bury Brow in 1845) to a road which crossed "Clayton Bridge." Towards the top and on the west side of this downstroke, there were in 1820 two cottages; in the northerly angle of the midstroke there were three buildings (called "Bury Brow" in 1845), and two more in the southerly angle of the midstroke. The lower half of the downstroke had a wood on the west side. At the foot of the downstroke a lane, like a serif or spur, ran towards the reservoir of Culcheth Printworks; and on the northerly side of the east end of the bottom stroke a building is shown in 1820, and two smaller ones (marked "Smithy" in 1845) on the south side, between the Medlock at Clayton Bridge and the bottom stroke. The Clayton Bridge Road passed north-eastwardly through some trees to "Mill Houses," "Clayton Mill," and "Printworks" in Failsworth.

This concludes Johnson's delineation of Newton Township in 1820, with annotations from the Allotment Map in 1804, the Ordnance Survey made in 1845, and the Tithe Map in 1846.

The Township boundary on the North ran along Moston Brook flowing from east to west; on the easterly or Failsworth side along a brook up to Oldham Road, and thence south-east to and along a brook running southwardly into the Medlock; on the south along the Medlock westwardly to Bradford Bridge on Hulme Hall Lane, thence north-west to Shooter's Brook, and along that brook westwardly to Newton Brook at Butler Street, where it turned sharply northwards and then north-east along Newton Brook till due west of Newton Heath Brewery on Monsall Lane, and there turned north-west to and along a brook that ran into Moston Brook just south of Green Mount Dyeworks.

NEWTON ABOUT 1772.

Manchester Collectanea (Cheth. Soc., vol. lxxii. pp. 184-8) contains an article, written in 1852, entitled "Newton Heath eighty years ago," and referring therefore to a period about 1772. The facts stated were derived from an old inhabitant in his 87th year. As it further identifies some of the places and represents Newton half-a-century before Johnson's Map was published, it is here given in full :—

Newton then consisted of but very few houses and a small number of inhabitants. The roads across it, if roads they might be called, were almost impassable. The staple employment was a little check or cotton weaving, crofting or bleaching, and in a solitary instance that of silk-weaving.

The locality of Crown Point [on Back Lane] consisted of one house, occupied by Robert Boardman. It was in such a dilapidated state that Boardman left it, and one Sunday morning some youths with their united strength pushed down the gable wall, and so brought the whole building to the ground. A reward of Two Pounds was offered for the apprehension of the offenders.

Botany Bay or Heath Gate [on Graver Lane] consisted of one house, inhabited by Rothwell, afterwards by Samuel Goodier, and one evening, when Goodier had just finished making his water porridge, some youths let down the chimney a dead calf, with a ticket attached containing instructions how to cook it. [The narrator of the foregoing anecdotes, it may be supposed, was one of the delinquents.]

The place known as Scutch Buttock [between Crown Point and Botany Bay] consisted of two cottages, one of which was inhabited by the coachman to Edwd. Greaves, Esq. [of Culcheth Hall], and from his mode of using the whip arose the name of his dwelling.

The Asylum, now [1852] used as a dye or bleach works, consisted of a solitary house occupied by a person named Hadfield.

Culcheth consisted of Culcheth Hall, the residence of Edwd. Greaves, Esq.

On Berry [Bury] Brow stood a small farm occupied by Joseph Bardsley.

In Greaves Lane stood a farmhouse occupied by Betty Goodier. At the east end of Newton [on Oldham Road ?] was a cottage occupied by Wm. Pendleton, a tailor.

At Mount Pleasant or the bottom of Long Lane [off Graver Lane] grew three large ash trees. The locality called Hillock [north of Oldham Road between Droylsden Road and Failsworth boundary] consisted of one house, and that a public-house with brick floor.

At the end of Moston highway [Dean Lane] stood a small building known as the [Rush?] Waggon House.

Warden House was a farmhouse occupied by one, Crook, and adjoining it were two cottages, one inhabited by Roger Richardson, a silk weaver, and John Wyatt served with Richardson his apprenticeship to silk weaving. Silk velvet was woven at Richardson's house, a rare occurrence in those days.

Dixon & Co.'s [match box] works [on Oldham Road] were then occupied by Mr. John Harnot, as farmer and bleacher. Shears Inn [on Oldham Road] was occupied by Mr. John Whitehead. Near the Shears on Stock Green, resided a man named Kings, in a house much worse for time and wear, with thatched roof, and altogether dilapidated. His hobby was keeping geese, hens, ducks, &c. He also sported a donkey, and all these he kept on the ground floor of his house.

The house now [1852] occupied by Mr. [Eli] Atkin was then a croft house or bleachworks occupied by Mr. James Beswick, then overseer of Newton. It afterwards became the property and residence of John Thorpe, Esq. The late Mr. Robert Thorpe, surgeon, spent many of his youthful days there.

The Three Crowns Inn [on Oldham Road] was occupied by Wm. Booth.

Where the three cottages stand now [1852], on Oldham Road, inhabited by David Ainsworth, Brown and Howlet, was a farmhouse and outbuildings with three fields opposite attached to the farm.

Monkey House [on Oldham Road] was a farmhouse inhabited by Richd. Stansfield, who was about ninety when he died. Adjoining the Monkey House was a cottage occupied by Wm. Robinson, flagger and slater, and in front of this farmhouse grew some large plane trees.

The King's Arms public-house [on Oldham Road] was occupied by the Houltons as a farmhouse only. It became a public-house afterwards.

Two cottages near Miles Platting were inhabited by Stansfield and Hampson. A Mr. Mayo resided at the large house near Miles Platting, which was used as a farmhouse, and he kept a provision shop at the back of the premises. The White Hart public-house terminated this part of Newton.

In Lamb Lane was a farmhouse called Whitworth Hall, with a few cottages adjoining.

In Monsall Lane [otherwise Holt Lane] where the brewery now [1852] stands, was a very old farmhouse.

The farm known as Hardy's Farm [in Monsall Lane] was occupied by a Mr. Hardy.

On the site of Mr. [James] Sandiford's house [in Monsall Lane] stood a small farmhouse.

Scotland Hall [west of Culcheth Hall] was a farmhouse occupied by Joseph Watt. Two cottages were attached to this farm. Near this place stood a small farmhouse inhabited by John Berry, whose wife lived to an advanced age, and had great pleasure in relating bygone occurrences. She could remember the Scotch rebels, and the great sickness in Manchester. During the latter period she presented her farm produce for sale near Butler Street, not venturing to proceed further.

In Cheetham Fold [on Back Lane] were a farmhouse and bleachworks occupied by Mr. Travis.

Rose Hill [east of Baguley Fold and Park Station] was a small farm occupied by Wm. Robinson.

Baguley Fold [by Park Station, at the south end of Ten Acres Lane] was a farmhouse and bleachworks, occupied by

Mr. Johnson. Grimshaw's farm [in Grimshaw Lane, off Oldham Road] was also used as a bleachworks.

Daniel Wild's farm [Mill houses?] was occupied by Thos. Cooper.

Near Butler Street and Shooter's Brook stood a solitary farmhouse occupied by the Gaggs family. This accounts for "Gaggs Fields."

Tetlow's farm [in Long Lane off Graver Lane?] was also used as a bleachworks by Robt. Hulme. Wood's farm and bleachworks [Graver Lane], now [1852] fallen into decay and a great portion taken down, are now [1852] the property of James Taylor of Newton.

Newton Church was an ancient brick building, with stone steps outside to the gallery, and with clay or earth floor, and the octogenarian narrator well remembered carrying rushes from the rushcart to lay on the church floor.

To the south of the church stood the Parsonage house. On the north, and adjoining the church, was a schoolhouse, which fell into decay and became unfit for use, and during the erection of the present school, the schoolmaster and scholars had to avail themselves of the use of the church. This new school was erected outside the churchyard on the common or waste land. There was a large quantity of common or waste land in Newton at that period [1772].¹ A large portion of it was allotted to the warden and fellows of the Collegiate Church; a portion was also allotted to the Township in aid of the poor rate. John Thorpe, Esq., had a small portion allotted to him opposite his estate [between Oldham Road and Moston Brook]. This common or waste land allotted to the warden and fellows has been let and sublet on a short lease for building upon. The portion allotted to John Thorpe, Esq., has been let or leased for a long term, and in one instance for ever; but it is the general opinion of the parties who have leased and built on this waste land for the short period, that their leases will be renewed at the end of the

¹ Further information will be found in the Chapter on Places, *post*.

term at the value of the land without any further demand. If otherwise, a large number of cottage houses built on the waste under short leases, which are [in 1852] nearly half expired, if left in the hands of the destroyer, Time, might present a miserable appearance.

The short leasing in Newton on church land accounts for the many small cottages in the Township, persons declining to erect valuable property on so short a lease.

NEWTON ABOUT 1717.

BISHOP GASTRELL in his *Notitia Cestriensis* (vol. 2. part 1, Chet. Soc. vol. xix. p. 89) about 1717 records:—

Newton, in the Deanery of Manchester. Families 40. Dissenting Meeting-house for Presbyterians [at Dob Lane]. Dissenting Families 15. [It is] certifi[ed] in reply to my enquiries] y^t nothing belongs to it but a house for the min[ister]; a small Barn, wth Shippon or Cowhouse; and ab^t [the] 8th part of an acre for a garden spot; Surp[lice] fees 1*l.* 15*s.* p. an.; Vol[untary] Contrib[utions] about 22*l.* p.an. [Signed, Griffith Swinton, Min^r 1717]. This chap[el] is well and uniformly seated. An[no] 1673, 2 wardens. [A] Curate [was] licensed an[no] 1717. V[ide] Subs[cription] B[ook]. An[no] 1717, Given tow[ards] Augm[entation] 300*l.* by John Gr[e]aves, Gent. To [the] Chappelry of Newton belong ye Towns[hi]ps of Newton and Failsworth, and part of Moston, Droylsden, and Bradford. 2 Wardens: One for Newton chosen by [the] Min[ister], and the] other for Failsworth by y^e Chappelry, every third year out [of] Moston and Droylsden acc[ording] to [the] Canon. 2 m[iles] from Manchester and from any other Ch[urch].

A school, by whom built not known; nothing belongs to it but [the] Int[erest] of 20*l.* given by John Gilliam for teaching 4 Poor Children.

Another School founded by Mr. Gascall who gave 4*l.* p. an. for teaching 20 poor Children to read in y^e Bible; but how long y^e Charity is to continue [is] not known.

Left by John Gilliam 20*l*. [the] Int[erest] to be paid yearly to such Poor of Newton and Failsworth as y^e Trustees sh^d think fit, who are all dead without making a new Trust ; 24*s*/*h*. p. an. is now paid [1717] but y^e security [is] not certain.

CHAPTER II.

NEWTON CHAPEL.

MR. Higson (pp. 9-18 of the copy *MS.* made for this Society) says :—

Newton Chapel is an ancient foundation going back probably to the early part of the 15th century, possibly erected in consequence of the collegiation of the Parish Church of Manchester in 1419, but more probably after the Reformation. The precise time of its erection is unknown.

At that distant period the scanty population of the district was located in a few detached cottages, a sprinkling of lone farmhouses, and here and there a fold of dwellings, not important enough to constitute a hamlet in the present sense of that term.

The staple, and almost only, occupation of the inhabitants was agricultural, tilling land and producing cheese and butter. At a later date they were great hand-loom weavers.

It seems likely, Mr. Higson says, that the Chapels of Newton and Gorton originated in an unconsecrated oratory or place for private prayer in connection with Clayton Hall, the residence of the Byrons who owned Gorton, as well as having much property in Newton.¹

¹ The Byrons, on the spoliation of the abbeys and monasteries in 1540, obtained a grant of Newstead Abbey, Notts., and deserted Clayton Hall. Probably the tenant, unable to maintain a private chaplain, would resort to Newton Heath or Gorton, and the oratory would be disused (Higson's *Droylsden*, p. 116). [More probably the disuse of the oratory at Clayton led to the erection of the Chapel at Newton.]

At first Newton Chapel seems to have been only a chapel-of-ease to Manchester Parish Church, from which it is distant three or four miles, and to have been intended for the convenience of the neighbourhood of which Newton was the centre, especially all Newton and Failsworth, and undefined parts of Moston, Bradford, and Droylsden.

The Chapel was conveniently situated at the junction of old roads, namely, the old Roman Road, leading north-east into Failsworth and south-west towards Bradford and Manchester; also the cross-road that led north-west to Moston and south-east to Clayton and Droylsden.

Mr. Higson doubts whether, originally, it had the rights of marriage, or burial, or the administration of the sacraments, and considers that it was maintained simply for the usual services, prayer, and preaching on Sundays, feasts and festivals.

Mr. Higson conjectures that at first the cure was confined to the Warden and Fellows of the Collegiate Church who performed ambulatory duties throughout their extensive parish, which comprised nearly thirty townships.

Mr. Higson says in his *MS.* that the first positive proof of the existence of the Chapel is in 1558, but quotes no authority.

The Chapel is named by Hollinworth [*Mancuniensis*] in 1573, but it is stated that the old timber taken out of the Chapel in rebuilding it in 1814 had the date 1556 carved on it. (*Manch. Cour. Local Gleanings*, vol. i. p. 36). Christopher Saxton's Map of Lancashire in 1577 names Newton Chapel.

[In 1572 the Court Leet was held 'at Newton,' and in 1582 in N.H. Chapel. In 1530 and 1540 it was held at the College in Manchester. The Chapel was built on the Heath, the soil of which belonged to the College, as Lords of the Manor, and thus presumably the College was in some way the originator of it. It stood on the highest ground, and on the exact site of the Roman Road, in a very conspicuous position].

Mr. Higson further remarks that marriages and baptisms were permitted prior to 1600, showing that this Chapelry, as well as

the others within the old Parish, had been partially emancipated from the mother church, but burial, he contends, was forbidden, and he alleges that there is no record of the consecration of any of the Chapel yards [except that of Didsbury].

Mr. Higson adds that during the episcopal confusion of the Commonwealth period [many of] the Chapelries took the liberty to bury their own dead, and thus became "Parochial Chapelries."

[Baptisms, weddings, and burials took place at Didsbury long before the Commonwealth. The registers there of the three rites date back to 1561. At Stretford the registers show christenings in 1598, marriages in 1603, burials in 1650.]

Mr. Higson also declares that the dependency of these Chapelries upon the mother church was shown by the "rate-payers contributing their quotas to the parish church and by visiting it, according to tradition, once a year, and receiving wine for the Sacrament from that church on Easterday and Whitsunday, and that their independence was displayed by the fact that the curate was not removable at the pleasure of the Collegiate clergy [who were substituted for the former Rector of the old Manchester Parish]. Moreover the tithes continued to be payable to the mother church, even after the Rectory or Parish Division Act of 1850, by which double dues for baptism and fees for registration were abolished, leaving untouched the offerings at "churchings of mothers."

[The emancipation (if necessary) of the Chapelries was probably accomplished after the Reformation (and before the Commonwealth), when church discipline was much relaxed.]

The curious medley of subordination and of independence was exhibited when the old Chapel at Newton was rebuilt. The Chapelry contributed their usual church rate to the mother church, and imposed an additional rate upon the Chapelry District for the rebuilding. An Act of Parliament had been procured for the occasion, and under its provisions both churchmen and dissenters were alike liable to pay the rates levied.

Newton, moreover, as one of the seven Parochial Divisions of the old Parish, elects one churchwarden and a sidesman at the Collegiate Church.

The present church at Newton is dedicated to All Saints, but Mr. Higson remarks there is no record of the consecration of the old Chapel, nor is it positively known to whose guardianship it was committed.

The Annual Wake was regulated by the 18th of August, which was anciently the day for rushbearing, and the Wake was on the Sunday following. August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of St. Mary the Virgin. [August 18th was "Lady Day in Harvest," has been annotated in the margin of Mr. Higson's manuscript.] Mr. Higson therefore conjectures that Newton Chapel [if it existed before the Reformation] may, like the Collegiate Church, have been dedicated to The Virgin, and the dedication may have been changed in protestant days to the less schismatic "All Saints."

In the puritan days, the first meeting of the Manchester Presbyterian Classis was held on February 14, 1647-8, when no elders from Newton appeared, and it was explained that this was owing to some difference between the minister and people (Hibbert Ware, *Foundations* vol. i. p. 254).

On June 16, 1650, the Parliamentary Commissioners reported that Newton was distant three and a quarter miles sixteen poles from the mother church, and "is fit to be made a parish."¹ They

¹ The Government Commission of June, 1650, says:—Moston, Failsworth, and Droylsden, including Clayton and Bradford, having no place of worship within their own hamlets, and being nearest to the Chapel of Newton Heath do use the same, and form themselves into a union under the chapelry of that Township (*Manchester Courier Local Gleanings*, vol. i. p. 55.)

The full text relating to Newton Chapelry is given in *Commonwealth Church Survey* (L. & C. Record Soc., vol. i. pp. 4-8). John Gilliam of Newton, gent., was one of the jury, who on June 17, 1650, presented that:—There is a Parish Church within Manchester towne and there belongeth unto it several messuages and gardens with appurtenances in the Deanesgate in Manchester, And alsoe severall messuages and teñtes with th' apptē scytuate in Newton and Kirkmansholme and els where within the same pīshe of the yearly rent of fforty sixe poundes or neare thereabouts

further reported that "Faylesworth hath no church or chapel, and Newton Chapel is the church to which the inhabitants resort; therefore the presenters think it fit and convenient that Newton Chapel with the hamlets adjoining, Moston, Newton, Faylesworth, Droylsden, and Bradford, be made a parish."

Another version, recorded in Hibbert Ware's *Foundations*, vol. i. p. 295, reads:—"Newton Chapel, Distant three miles from Blakeley; from Gorton . . miles. Lands in Newton and Kirkmansholme, £31 2s. 3d., paid to the Warden and Fellows: Tythe in Newton £8; Kirkmansholme £2 Bradford, Failsworth, greater part Droylsden, Moston, nearer [to Newton] than any other. Fit to be a parish church. Mr. John Walker, preacher. Late £40 by inhabitants and a dwellinghouse and stable built by inhabitants; 4 June 1650."

forñly paid as ancient yearly Rent besides the increase of ffynes, vnto the warden and ffellowes of the College in Manch: vtill, about a yeare last past, the same was stayed by order; and that the tyths and rents for tyths have beene . . one yeare with another—ffive hundred and ffifty pounds or nere, the charges of Inning and Collectinge the same being deducted . . but the greatest pt thereof hath beene deteyned . . w^{ch} . . remaine in the hands of some of the inhabitants . . And theire are wthin and belonginge to the pish nyne Chappells vidzt Salford, Streitford, Chorleton, Diddesbury, Birch, Gorton, Denton, Newton, and Blackley. .

Alsoe wee p^sent that wthin the townshippe of Newton there is one Chappell w^{ch} is called Newton Chappell and distant from their pish of Manchester three statute myles one quarter and sixteene poles and about three statute myles distant from Blackley and Gorton; And there are certen lands and tenements wthin Newton and Kirkmansholme the yearly rents whereof are thirty foure pounds two shillings three pence and have Anciently beene payed to the warden and fellowes of Manchester till by order restrayned. The tyths wthin Newton are worth aboute eight pounds p añ and the tyths in Kirkmansholme are worth fforty shillings p añ w^{ch} said tyths have been formerly payed wth the said rents to the said warden and fellowes and are comp^hended in the five hundred and fifty pounds before mençoned; And that Bradford Faylesworth and the most pte of Droylsden and Moston are wthin the said Chappelry and nearer vnto the same then any other Church or Chappell and that the said townships and the said pts of the other townships are fitt to be made a pish of Newton. Mr. John Walker preacher of the Gospel supplyeth the cure theire and hath for his Sallary the yearly some of fforty pounds w^{ch} is payd him by his hearers beinge inhabitants wthin the said Townshipp by voluntarie contrybuçon; formerly theire tyths beinge payable to the warden and fellowes of Manchester and of late kept in theire own hands towards paym^t of the said forty pounds p añ. There is noe other

Mr. Higson continues, p. 12 :—" Prior to 1758, Newton Chapel was a very simple structure, consisting of an oblong nave, a chancel of the same width, and a wooden bell-turret or steeple containing a single bell. The fabric was half timbered, that is, had a timber framework with the interstices filled in with 'rad-lings and daub.'"¹ This sort of ecclesiastical structure was not uncommon in the locality. The chapels of Gorton, Denton, and Chorlton-cum Hardy were of a similar type.

Ecclesiasticall benefiċs wthin the said towneshippe of Newton but as afforesaid, save onely a dwellingehouse, consistinge of two bayes of building and a stable of aboute one bay w^{ch} was built by the inhabitants of the said Chappelrie at theire owne proper costs and charges for theire minister.

And alsoe wee p̄sent that in Faylesworth theire is noe Church or Chappell nor any Ecclesiasticall benefice (theire tythes onely excepted) which are worth about nyne pounds p̄ añ w^{ch} formlly have bene payd to the warden and fellowes of Manchester Church being pte of the some of ffive hundred and ffifty pounds before menċoned ; And that Newton Chappell is the Church vnto w^{ch} the[y] resorte and doe pay yearely vnto Mr. John Walker minister of God's word, who supplyes the cure there, the some of thirteene pounds or thereabouts w^{ch} is pte of the forty pounds before menċoned payed to the said Mr. Walker whereof the said tyths are now a pte ; And wee thinke it fitt and convenient that Newton Chappell with the hamells adjoyninge vid3t Moston Newton Faylesworth Droylesden and Bradford bee made a pish.

Alsoe we p̄sent that the inhabitants wthin the towneshippe of Droylesden doe constantly for the most pte repayre and goe to the Chappell of Newton beinge wthin one statute myle and a halfe thereof and is the next [nearest] Chappell to the same towneshippe and fit to be vnyted to the said Chappell of Newton And is distant from the pish Church of Manchester foure statute myles and upwards and have payed theire tythes beinge worth tenn pounds p̄ añ formerly to the Minister of the said pish Church of Manchester w^{ch} is pte of the before menċoned some of five hundred and ffifty pounds.

Alsoe wee p̄sent that theire is noe Church or Chappell wthin Bradford And that the Inhabitants wthin Bradford doe constantly resorte & goe to Newton Chappell beinge the next Chappell vnto them and that the towneshippe of Bradford is wthin one statute myle and a halfe of Newton Chappell and fitt to be vnyted therevnto and is distant from Manchester pish Church above two statute myles and have payed formerly the yearely some of sixteene shillings eight pence for theire tyth corne to Mr. Browne one of the fellowes of Manchester Church but wee conceive the said tyth is worth thirty shillings p̄ añ one yeare wth another and is comp̄hended in the said some of five hundred and fifty pounds.

¹ Joe Miller, of Church Street, Newton Heath, in July, 1875, contributed to *Manchester Courier* Local Gleanings (vol. i, p. 46) an account which he wrote for the All

The interior was divided by a central aisle, which ran from the western door to the chancel window, and from which the pews or rather forms radiated and afforded seat room for the landholders of the Chapelry, their wives, and families, to the number of something like 350.

A loft or pew was assigned to the Chethams of Clayton Hall, who had doubtless purchased it from the Byroms. Access to it was gained from the outside of the chapel by a separate flight of steps.

In 1738 the chapel was enlarged. The Warden and Fellows of Manchester gave the timber, Edward Chetham of Smedley, Esq., as lessee of the tithes, contributed £50, and the rest of the cost was met by voluntary offerings.

The timber framing seems to have been underset or walled in with brick [to allow of building a gallery], and other alterations were made as well as a considerable extension.

No faculty authorising these works was obtained until 1763, when the enlargement made a quarter of a century before was formally approved.

The extension had a separate entrance, and comprised a north aisle or side of fifty feet by sixteen, holding twelve pews. A south gallery was also inserted in the old portion or nave of the Chapel, and measured forty feet by twelve, holding twenty-three pews, which were divided by a central passage, having thirteen pews on the north side and ten on the south,

Saints' Newton Heath Parish Magazine for June, 1874, and in it he says the Chapel was built on the Common, and was surrounded by a wide ditch, crossed by two strong plattings of wood, and kept by wicket gates. Thomas Brown, in the early part of the nineteenth century, stated that the building externally was much like that of Baguley Fold, built of oak stanchions and small branches filled in and plastered with mud, and whitewashed, the oak beams painted black. The entrance to the gallery was by means of stone steps, a flight of which was placed outside at the south-west corner. Inside were the four Parish Garlands hung on four oaken pegs fixed in the north wall, and they were beautifully adorned with gay ribands and artificial flowers. From the centre of the gallery projected a circular stall for the punishment of any female offender, who did penance there till after service was over.

besides the landing from the external stone steps which led to the gallery.¹

On Sunday, May 1, 1808, a crowded anniversary service² was held in the old Chapel, and next morning it fell down, about twelve hours after the service ended. A neighbour was standing at his door ready to set out to his work when he heard the bell give a solitary tang that made him turn his head that way, when he saw in the twilight the old Chapel crumble into ruins.

This catastrophe seems to have paralysed both minister and churchgoers, for no effort towards rebuilding was apparently made for more than five years. On Oct. 14, 1813, a meeting was convened of delegates from Moston, Failsworth, Newton, Clayton, and Bradford, when it was resolved to have the old materials of the Chapel valued, and to obtain estimates for a new Chapel.

Thos. Porter, Esq., was chairman of the meeting, and it was attended by Wm. Barratt, Wm. Barrow, Joseph Booth, Robert Berry [or Bury], Saml. Howard, Mr. [Thomas] Lancashire, Thos. Ogden, John Ryder [or Rider], Ashton Shepley, and

There were stocks outside at the west end for male delinquents. The floor was of clay, and the pews were well carpeted with rushes renewed yearly by each township in turn at the Wakes. The bell was in an oak cage on the south-west part of the roof, and was reached from the gallery. At the south side of the chapel was a large thatched shed for horses from a distance, and pillion steps were on that side too.

¹ Miller says that in 1795 the chapel was so dilapidated that it was unsafe, and the wardens borrowed £500 for repairs from David Ogden of Back Lane, Failsworth. This was to be repaid by voluntary subscription, but little beyond interest was ever paid, so in 1804 Ogden sued the wardens. Subscriptions again failed; the farmers obtained permission to cut down timber along occupation roads, and felled the hedgerow oaks, raising £100, the largest oak being one that stood near Scotland Fold, and had furnished a covert for a scout shot by a Newtonian volunteer from Prince Charlie's army when at Manchester in 1745. The wardens were Moors of Moston and Wm. Brown of Crown Point, and Newton had to make up the balance. The old Chapel Oak was sold for £20 to James Lord, wheelwright, of Hobson Green, and he made money by converting it into coffin boards (*Loc. Gleanings*, vol. i. p. 46).

² Mr. Miller says it was on the occasion of a funeral sermon for Thomas Shepley, an officer of the local volunteers, who had been very much respected (*Loc. Gleanings*, vol. i. p. 46).

Mr. [John] Yates. A committee to collect subscriptions was appointed, namely :—

For Newton :—Joseph Barker, Thos. Todd, Ashton Shepley,
Wm. Barratt, Jas. Aspull.

For Failsworth :—Robert Berry, Thos. Ogden, Joseph Booth,
Thomas Walmers [Walmsley], Wm. Barrow.

For Droylsden :—John Yates, Mr. Williamson, Saml. Howard,
Wm. Cantrell, Wm. Thompson, Mr. Banford.

For Bradford :—John Ryder, Thos. Porter.

For Moston :—Mr. Lancashire, Thos. Hilton, Jas. Taylor,
Wm. Ogden, John Brown.

At that time the	Annual Value &	Rate at 8d. per £	were noted :—
Newton ...	5,861 10 0	195 7 8	
Droylsden ...	4,767 0 0	158 18 0	
Failsworth ...	4,766 5 0	158 17 6	
Bradford ...	570 0 0	19 0 0	
Moston ...	3,454 0 0	115 2 8	
	19,418 15 0	647 5 10	

On May 4, 1814, an Act (54 Geo. III.) was passed authorising the rebuilding of the Chapel of Newton, in the Parish of Manchester, and the raising of £3,500 by means of church rates on all property within the Chapelry. This sum was the estimated cost of obtaining the Act, interest on mortgages, cost of draining the site and burial ground, and the salaries of clerks, treasurers, and officers. It proved, however, to be insufficient to complete the Chapel, and a supplemental Act (57 Geo. III.) received the royal assent on May 23, 1817, authorising a further £3,300 to be raised, as well as funds to pay for obtaining the Act, and to pay interest on such part of the £3,300 as might be borrowed on mortgage. It also provided for the erection of a wall and iron pallisado fence round the graveyard, and for the first meeting of the trustees to be held at the house of Elizth.

Atkinson, the Bull's Head in Failsworth. The trustees were also empowered to sell pews, subject to payment of yearly rent to the curate. A design for the church, and an estimate of the cost, were prepared by Mr. Wm. Atkinson of Manchester, architect, and on August 18, 1814, they were approved by the trustees, appointed by or under the Act, but various alterations in the plans and specifications were agreed upon at a meeting held on October 7, 1814.

The foundations were begun in November, and the stonework in March following. The "rearing" (roofing timbers fixed) was on June 14, 1816, when Wm. Atkinson the architect, paid £9 1s. 10d. towards a dinner. The Church was finished in August, and was consecrated November 1, 1816, by the Bishop of Chester, though joiners were still at work in it during the following January. It has been alleged that Newton Chapel was not re-consecrated because it was built on the old site, instead of on a new one as was at one time intended, until "Old Jotty Brookes," Chaplain of the Collegiate Church, threatened that if a new site was adopted he would claim burial and baptismal dues.

The style is Debased Gothic. The structure consists of a spacious nave, two western embattled porches, and a low embattled tower of three stages or storeys. The lowest of these is used as a vestry, the one above as the ringers' chamber, and the uppermost is the belfry, with louvre window openings.

This description may be compared with the Frontispiece, which is from a very scarce engraving, dedicated by the architect, Mr. Wm. Atkinson, to the Trustees of the Church, and published in August, 1815. The only known copy of this engraving is preserved at the Church, to which it was presented a few years ago by Mr. Charles Roeder of Manchester. The rural surroundings depicted have disappeared, if they ever existed otherwise than in Mr. Atkinson's imagination.

The tower contains a single bell, and a clock with four dials.

The Church was originally lighted on each side by two tiers of five windows, but in 1844 the fabric was extended a couple of

windows in length making twenty-eight in all, besides the east window with three lights.¹

The windows are weather moulded and separated from each other externally by two-stage buttresses, which spring from the basement and are carried up as pinnacles to the embattled parapet.

On January 9, 1815, Messrs. Wm. and Geo. Broadbent, and John Blakeley, stonemasons, contracted to execute the stone and brickwork for £1,651 15s. 0d., and to have the Chapel covered in by September 29, and the tower to be of equal height by that date, and to be finished by December 1.

The height of the 'steeple' above the floor of the Church to the top of the highest cornice was to be 51 feet 8 inches, and at the angles of its western side there were to be two turrets, the steeple was to be carried up square to 14 feet above the Church floor, and then to be continued octangular in form to the top of the steeple, seven feet higher than the cornice. The east side of the tower was also to have two similar turrets beginning at the roof of the Church.

The Church and porches were to be battlemented, and the porches were to be of solid stone, tooled inside and out.

The Church and tower were, at first, to be built of brick (but this backing was altered to wall stone and rubble stone) laid in English bond, that is one beading and one stretching course alternately, and cased with good ashlar stone tooled on the face.

The Chancel or 'Communion' part of the Church was to be raised one tooled step, and the pillars supporting the galleries were to be of rubbed stone.

¹ At the south end inside the Church, there was in 1852, a board stating that :— The Church was enlarged in the year 1844, by which means 380 additional sittings were obtained, and, in consequence of a grant from the Incorporated Society for promoting the enlargement, building, and repairing of Churches and Chapels, 380 of that number are hereby declared to be free and unappropriated for ever ; the provision of Church room, previously to the alteration, being to the extent of 714 sittings, 186 of which number were free. A plan showing the number and situation of sittings is fixed up in the vestry room—Minister, William Hutchinson—Wardens, Abraham Taylor, William Booth, John Whitehead, and James Birch (*Fielding's Rural Gleanings*, p. 197).

The four windows in the upper part of the steeple were to have cast-iron mullions and tracery, and the mullions of the Church windows were to be connected to the carved mullion and to the arch stones.

The floor of the Church was seven inches above the level of the churchyard, and the inside height of the Church was 27 feet from floor to cornice, and the height of the tower was 51 feet from Church floor to highest cornice.

On January 9, 1815, Samuel Buxton and his son Edmund of Manchester, builders, contracted for the artificers work at £1,740.

The roof was to be supported by cast-iron pillars, and the ceiling groined, with the mouldings finished in stucco.

The wardens' and strangers' seats were to be raised six inches above the other seats, and the framing of the seat backs was to be raised 3 feet 9 inches higher than the other pews, all of which were to be of oak.

Messrs. Barratt and Wilson acted as clerks [and solicitors] to the trustees. Mr. Higson remarks that the amount of their bills alone would have built a brick church, namely:—

	£	s.	d.
Bill for soliciting and obtaining the Act of Parlt.	714	1	3
Additional bill for messengers	2	12	6
Second bill, as amended under direction of Committee	248	19	5
By a second bill to Jan. 28, 1817...	128	19	11
less	42	10	0
	86	9	11
Bill for new Act of Parlt. (less £9 deducts.).....	111	5	3
1817 Bill for completing new Act of Parlt.....	61	2	0
1820, Sept. 29 Bill (less 8 guineas)	169	19	0
Bill, including £183 14s. 1d. paid witnesses taxed by Mr. Sergeant	623	18	8
Less Cash received from the Sheriff for taxed costs levied upon Atkinson	237	15	3
	386	3	5

Their further bills of costs for the years 1821-2-3, amounted to £57 19s. 4*d.*, and in 1824 they were paid a further £50 16s. 0*d.*

Under the amended contract the church fabric and church-yard wall seem to have cost £5,260, and the cost of fittings and furniture, extra's for enclosing the yard and purchasing bells, swelled the total to £6,900.

The £5,260 exceeded the estimate by £1,870.

The whole cost however was "reasonable" according to an architect of twenty years' standing, whose opinion was sought and he declared the work to be "good work and good design."

Materials from the old Parsonage were used in the foundations of the new Church to the value of £90, exclusive of old slates, for which the contractors allowed £10.

The cost of consecration paid to Mr. Ward on June 8, 1817, was £44 14s. 0*d.*

According to Mr. Higson the total cost seems to have been between £12,000 and £15,000.

Thus ends Mr. Higson's description of the Church.

The interior of the Church has at the east end, under the N. gallery, a tablet in memory of Thos. Todd late of Culcheth, in this township, who died December 28, 1824, aged 55, and under the S. gallery, a tablet in memory of Jane, wife of Jas. Taylor of Newton, who was born at Kendal on September 27, 1796, and died January 20, 1833, leaving six children; also James their son, born March 25, 1829, died March 21, 1837; also Isabella their daughter, born February 6, 1825, died September 9, 1847.

Painted glass was inserted in the window at the east end of the chancel, at the expense of Jas Taylor, Esq. of Brook Dale, in 1844. It was made by W. Wailes of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. At the foot of the northern principal light of the window the arms of the donor, ermine on a chief engrailed sable, three scallop shells, and in the corresponding southern light are impaled the arms of his deceased wife's family with the stag's head. The figure of St. John the Baptist in the lights above the transom is from an old painting in the Church of St. Dennis at York. Next

to St. John is the Virgin Mary, and next to her is Our Saviour coming from Judgment. The fourth figure is St. Paul the Apostle. Below the transom are the four Evangelists and their emblems. At the foot is the inscription "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain" (Fielding's *Historical Gleanings*, p. 138-142).

PEWS OR SEATS.

ACCOUNT of the Proprietors of Seats in Newton Chapel [about 1763 ?] Copied from the Old Book, £46 13s. 8d. [Sittings] 23 + 13 + 101 + 81 + 96 = 314 to estates, 216 to persons. [Total] 530, [47 pews on ground floor, 29 in the galleries.]

North Row.	No. of Seats.	Estates.	Landowners.	Occupiers.
No. 1	10	Culcheth	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	- - - -
No. 2	5	Scotland	{ Edw. Gr., Esq. <i>Mr. Clive (interlined)</i>	John Ratcliff
	3	Hardman Fold	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	Thos Hall
	2	Shaw Chapel house	Mr. Hopford	Saml. Wardley { <i>Geo. Clough (intlined)</i> Widow Fletcher
No. 3	3	Beswick house	Mr. Scholes	Chrstr. Wagstaffe
	4	Thorp's House	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	Thos. Barrow
	3	at Wrigley Head	Thos. Syddall	Jno. Worsley
No. 4	3	Monkey House	Miss Whitaker	Jas. Coe
	2	Leeches's	Mrs. Saunders	Peter Wild
No. 5	3	Clock House [Dln]	Mr. Jos ^h Holt	
	3	Heap's at Bridge	{ <i>Jos. Yates, Esq.</i> S. Chetham, Esq.	John Heap
	3	Boar Green	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	Fr. Ridings
		[Monton]		
No. 6	4	at Green Side [Dln]	Cap ⁿ Hulton	Wm. Hibbert
	3	Grimshaw's	Edwd Greaves, Esq.	Edmd. Taylor
	3	at Greenside	Mr. Diggle	John Howorth
No. 7	4	in New Lane	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	John Towneley
			{ <i>Mr. Sutton (interld.)</i> Mr. Stringfellow	Robt. Thorneley
	2	Edge Yate	{ <i>Mr. Robinson (intld.)</i> Mrs. Beswick	{ <i>Thos. Fernhead (intd)</i> Nat. Hibbert
	2	in Droylsden	{ <i>Miss Livesly (intld.)</i> Mr. Lloyd	John Blagshaw
No. 8	2	in Droylsden	Mr. Hope	- - - -
	3	Bradford Fold	Mr. Jos. Holt	- - - -
	2	Newton Lane		

North Row.	No. of Seats.	Estates.	Landowners.	Occupiers.
No. 8	3	Newton Pinfold	John Lingard	- - - -
	2	Finch's	Mr. Croxton	James Hope
No. 9	2	at Wrigley Head	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	Saml. Wolstenham
	2	Shepley's, Wicken Tree	Mr. Jenkinson	Jas. Standerling
	2	I'th' Croft, Fails-worth, nr. Black Pitts	John Warren	Jas. Moors
	2	Rowel Cote	Mr. John Lingard	John Haslam
	2	Burgess's	Mr. Burgess	Saml. Leah
No. 10	2	Dob Lane End	{ Edward, altered to Jas. Chetham Esq	John Lees
	2	Astrologer's	Edw. Chetham, Esq.	Oliver Ogden
	2	Bradshaw's	Edw. Chetham, Esq.	Peter Coppock
	2	Dean Brook	Widow Lightbounne London	Jas. Butterworth
	2	Syddal's	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	Saml. Ravalld
No. 11	2	—	—	—
	3	—	—	—
No. 12	—	—	—	—

Middle Row.	No. of Seats.	Estates.	Landowners.	Occupiers.
No. 1	9	Nuthurst	Edw. Chetham, Esq.	John Walmsley
No. 2	3	Bagguley Fold	Jas. Fletcher	- - - -
	3	" "	Mr. Alexander	Jas. Simister
				{ Jas. Stringer (interld)
				{ John Booth
No. 3	4	Booth Fold	Ralph Smith	John Blagshaw
	2½	in Dob Lane	Mrs. Clough, Fails-worth	{ Jo. Newton (interld)
	2½	Do.	Edmund Newton	{ Phil. Walker
	2½	Rhodes's	Mr. Clegg of Liverpool	Ralph Hill
	2½	Wolstencrofts	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	Robt. Booth
				{ Ralph Hobson (intld)
No. 4	3	Jericho	" " "	{ Robert Booth (cancld)
			{ Mr. Mellor, Druggist (interlined)	{ Josh. Bardsley (intld)
	3	Clayton's	{ Alexander Wild	{ Josh. Bury
			{ Mr. Birch (interld.)	
	4	Josh. Taylor's	{ Mr. Trickett	Josh. Taylor
No. 5	3	Boardman's at th' Well	Mr. John Clowes	Richd. Rothwell

Middle Row.	No. of Seats.	Estates.	Landowners.	Occupiers.
No. 5	2	Hulton's Mill House	Saml. Chetham, Esq	Jonathan Chetham
	2	Little House at Scotland	Mr. Butterworth	Phil. Bury
	2	Wrenshaw's	{ <i>Super Lound (intrld.)</i> Mr. Taylor of Sutton	Anne Pollit
No. 6	3	Old Johnson's	Wid. Winterbottom	John Slater
	2	Grimshaw's	„ Haywood	- - - -
	3	Lightboun's in Mill Houses	Saml. Chetham, Esq	J. Booth, Miller
	2	Scot's	{ <i>Jas. Chetham, Esq. (interlined)</i> Thos. Oldham	John Hulton
No. 7	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Lort Lane End	Joseph Jackson	- - - -
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Heath Side	{ <i>Mr. Clegg, Liverpool (interlined)</i> Mr. Clegg, Titus Cording	- - - -
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	near Black Pitts	James France	- - - -
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Heath Side, Mill Houses	{ <i>Saml. Leah,</i> <i>Mr. Hobson (intrd.)</i> John Goodyear	Mr. Hobson
No. 8	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	near Black Pitts	Thos. Barrow	Jas. Clayton
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Monshall	Mr. Jas. Gorton	Little Gorton
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Wrigley Head	John Lingard	Josh. Taylor
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Scatters's	Josh. Scholfield	- - - -
No. 9	3	Clark Jacksons	Widow Hulton	{ <i>Jas. Hill (interlined)</i> Joseph Coe
	3	Riders	Nathl. Adkinson	Thos. Hope, Thos. Cooper
	3	Knot's, Moston	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	{ <i>Edmd. Whitehead (interlined)</i> — Bentley
No. 10	2	Bradford Hall	Mrs. Brooks	Mr. Porter, Richd. Blumm
	2	Ellinworth, Bradford	Mr. Delamain	John Wolstencroft
	2	in New Lane	Taylor	{ <i>Will. Booth (interld)</i> Ed. Wolstenham
	2	Pendleton's, Hole bottom	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	Peter Fletcher
	2	Thorp's, near Ash-ton Moss	Saml. Chetham Esq.	{ <i>Thos. Walker (intld)</i> Thos. Thorp

South Row.	No. of Seats.	Estates.	Landowners.	Occupiers.
No. 1	8	Sandford's, Nuthurst	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	{ <i>Jas. Raize (interld.)</i> Jas. Ryder
No. 2	5	Moston Hall	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	{ <i>Rob. Walmsley (inld.)</i> John Whitehead
	5	Williamson's	Mr. John Clough	{ <i>John Arnold, Mr. Gorst (interlined)</i> Jas. Lees
No. 3	5	Graver Yate	Saml. Chetham, Esq.	{ <i>John Wood (interld.)</i> Jonathan Slater
	5	Warden's	Mrs. Wroe	{ <i>Norcot (interlined)</i> Jas. Stott
No. 4	5	Lightboun Hall	Mrs. Lightboun	{ <i>Saml. Hall (interld.)</i> John Tervin
	5	Hartleys	{ <i>Mr. Lee, Mr. Battersby (interlined)</i> John Howard	John Slater
No. 5	4	Fur ^r Ho. at Greenside	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	{ <i>Jas. Brown (intld.)</i> Widow
	3	Bank Top	Widow Lightboun	{ Winterbottom <i>Richd Johnston (inld)</i>
	3	Newhouse in Dob Lane	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	{ <i>Jas. Brown (intld.)</i> Saml. Lees
No. 6	3	Brick House in New Lane	Mrs. Lightboun	John Sharpley
	4	Lime Ditch	Wm. Horton	Joseph Wamsley (sic)
	3	Thumper's o'th' Heath Side	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	George Booth
No. 7	4	Bridge End	Mr. Joseph Holt	Jonathan Wrigley
	3	In Monshall Lane	{ <i>John Chorton (inld.)</i> Mr. Bell, Jas. Kay <i>cancelled</i>	{ <i>Jas. Wood (interlined)</i> Jas. Crosley
	3	Barn's Estate in Monshall Lane	Mr. Bell, Jas. Kay	John Fletcher Geo. Townley
No. 8	4	Stephenson Fold	Jas. Chetham, Esq.	<i>Joseph Ogden (inserted)</i> { <i>Oldman's (interind.)</i>
	3	Coop's	Dr. Bentley	{ Saml. Hulton
	3	near Jericho	Mrs. Fletcher	John Smith
No. 9	3	Pole Lane House	Mr. Dickenson	{ Will. Booth Edwd. Moors

South Row.	No. of Seats.	Estates.	Landowners.	Occupiers.
No. 9	2	Rhodes's, Moston	Edw. Chetham, Esq	{ John Ogden (<i>interld.</i>)
	2	beyond Holebottom	Geo. Hall	{ Willm. Whitaker
	3	White ho. nr. Lightb. Hallgate	Mrs. Lightbounne	Joseph Ogden
No. 10	4	Great Oak at Greenside	Edwd. Greaves, Esq.	Geo. Butler
	6	Wakefield's	Mr. Thos. Clowes	{ <i>Abrm. Beswick (intd)</i>
No. 11	2	near Black Pitts	Mr. Dickenson	{ Richd. Hulme
	3	Unsworth Chapel Ho.	Mr. Russel	Richd. Rothwell
	3	In Droylsden	Mrs. Parrot, Mnchr.	Jas. Lees
	2	—	—	Richd. Scholes
				Widow Blackshaw
In the Chancel	No. of Seats.	Estates.	Landowners.	Occupiers.
No. 1	10	Lightbounne Hall	Mrs. Lightbounne	Robt. Hall
No. 14	3	Nuthurst	Edw. Chetham, Esq	John Walmsley

On July 11, 1764, Henry Ainsworth, Edmd. Newton, John Taylor and John Arnold appropriated to John Haslom of Failsworth pew No. 10 in the new gallery, and on Jan. 18, 1800, the same pew was sold to Jas. Kenyon for 16s. by John Haslam, A. Ashworth, Wm. Wood, and John Pott.

PLATE AND FURNITURE (Higson *MS.*, pp. 24-27).

THE earliest allusion to the Communion Service at Newton is on April 4, 1706, when four large silver flagons having been presented to the Collegiate Church of Manchester, one of the four old Manchester flagons of pewter was given to Newton.

Previous to this, it has been supposed that the utensils were composed of earthenware or manufactured from tin. [This seems most improbable. The cup was more likely to have been of pewter, but not so large.]

The oldest articles of plate now remaining are all of silver, and were presented by the Warden of Manchester, Richard, son

of Richard Wroe, yeoman, of Heaton Yate, in the Parish of Prestwich. He was made Warden in 1684, and died January 6, 1717/8, aged 76. They comprise a silver paten, or bread plate, inscribed "Newton Chappell. R : Wroe, S.T.P., J7J2 (1712)," and a chalice or wine cup on which is engraved "Richard Wroe, S.T.P., J7J2." The next in point of date is a tall handsome silver flagon or tankard with lid, bearing the following memorial, "I.H.S. ✠. The gift of Iane relict of John Greaves of Culcheth, Esq^u, 1743." The Alms Dish was presented by their son, as appears by the record thereon, "I.H.S. ✠. The gift of John Greaves to Newton Chapel, 1761."

CHANCEL.

On June 24, 1822, the congregation, through the schoolmaster, Joseph Fletcher, contracted with Vittori Zanetti and Thomas Agnew of Manchester, to pay £52 4s. 9d. for furnishing the Church with "two tables on canvas with frames, containing the Ten Commandments, and the Lord's Prayer, in gold letters, mounted, carved, gilt, and burnished," also the King's Arms carved in the very best manner and gilt, varnished, &c.

CHURCH LIBRARY.

Dr. Bray¹ and his associates were probably the donors of a small library of theological works, which were intended for circulation in the Chapelry.

There are still several volumes of old divinity remaining amongst the documents belonging to the Church, and on a spare page of the Register others are referred to, thus:—"Books belonging to Newton Chapel: Seven Treatises on the Scripture, London, 1630; Perkins's Works in two volumes, London, 1635; Dr. [Peter] Martyr's Commentaries, Cambridge [1564-8]; Poole's Annotations, vol. ii. [1688]. N.B.—The first volume was lost before I came. (Signed), J. Whitaker, Aug. 29 (1763?)."

¹ Dr. Thos. Bray (1656-1730) of Shropshire, projected and carried out a scheme for establishing parochial libraries in various parts of England. The scheme developed into the Society for Propagating Christian Knowledge.

BELLS.

MR. HIGSON remarks that nothing is known concerning the earliest bell or bells at Newton, nor is there any tradition about them.

When the oratory or domestic chapel at Clayton Hall was demolished about 1750, one of its four bells was said to have been given to Newton Chapel (see Higson's *Hist. of Droylsden*, p. 35). [The four bells were reputed to have been originally in the Manc. Colleg. Church. Rev. H. A. Hudson (L. & C. Antiq. Soc. vol. xvii. p. 77) says, the tradition is that one of the ancient bells of Manchester was sent to Newton Chapel.]

When the old chapel of Newton and its bellcote fell in 1808, the bell was uninjured, and stood in the churchyard for over eight years. [It was sold in 1833 to Messrs. Todd of Culcheth, and was used for summoning their workpeople. About 1871 it was sold as old metal to a broker when the Culcheth works were broken up (*Local Gleanings*, i., 37, 46).]

On July 2, 1816, four mischievous persons upset the wooden steeple and bell, "but failed to break the bell, although they tried to do so by throwing stones at it."¹

In 1817, when a new peal of bells was supplied to Oldham Parish Church, one of the old bells was secured for Newton Heath.

¹ In July, 1816, the wooden steeple was injured. Richard Richardson of Newton stated that about two o'clock on Tuesday morning July 2 he heard a great noise near the Chapel and got out of bed and saw Matthew Gradwell, Robt. Robinson, Wm. Brown, and Wm. Fildes in the Chapelyard. Gradwell was standing on the old wood steeple and talking to the other three as a preacher. When Gradwell came down Robinson and another began to push at the steeple and the other two seemed to help at the bottom part. The steeple then fell down and Richardson heard the noise and the ringing of the bell. He went out of his house onto the road when he saw Gradwell Robinson Brown and Fildes throwing stones and doing all they could to break the bell. All four then came towards Richardson, and Robinson asked Gradwell if he could raise a fuddle, to which Gradwell replied "Can I be damned?" All four then turned back and went down the road leading to Mr. Briscoe's farm and Richardson saw them no more (Copied by John Higson in a book which in 1875 was in the possession of his brother James at Ardwick; Manch. Courier *Local Gleanings*, vol. i. p. 23).

On September 28, 1817, the Trustees for rebuilding Newton Chapel obtained tenders for a peal of eight musical bells. They accepted the tender of Dobson of Downham at £650 less £5, and on 1819, November 8, he agreed to accept £600 on condition that he should be paid £50 for hanging the bells, &c. It was doubted whether the tower was capable of standing the strain of so heavy a peal.

Mr. Taylor, a Leeds architect, estimated (September 15, 1819) that for £79 12s. the tower could be strengthened sufficiently to bear the bells. Nine days later Mr. Cowley stated that Mr. Taylor's plan would not answer as the tower base was not broad enough. He suggested adding large stone buttresses at each corner, but considered it would be best to take the tower down, as the small space rendered it necessary to hang them in two tiers, which would be more injurious than if they were in one tier.

Several years elapsed and nothing was done. On January 5, 1824, Brownsworth & Keeling estimated "for hanging the bells at Newton," and on March 17, 1824, they took an inventory of the bells and hangings then in the warehouse of Buckley & Co., who had carried the whole peal to Newton by canal, and after leaving them exposed on the canal bank for some time had taken them back to Manchester. They remained in Buckley and Co.'s warehouse till May 2, 1828, when they were sold by auction, along with the framework and apparatus, to Frederick Fincham of Manchester, gent.

Their weight was 67 cwt. 0 qrs. 3 lbs. They realised £397 7s., and are now hung in St. John's Church, Liverpool.

To Mr. Higson's notes some one has added that the old bell was superseded before 1860 by a new one, larger in size and "more ecclesiastical in tone."

CHURCHYARD.

Mr. Higson's *MS.* states, pp. 17-18, that—

The inhabitants of Newton Chapelry, like those of all the

other Chapelries, except Didsbury, buried their dead at Manchester, where each Township had an allotment, which was styled a "hill."¹ He adds, that, during the Commonwealth the inhabitants of Newton began to bury their dead around their village church.²

The chapelyard has been enlarged, and a line of stunted yew trees used to be pointed out as the former boundary. They once grew in the fence, but their vitality had fled.

In 1775 "the Great Oak" in Newton Church is mentioned in an entry in the Droylsden Death Book, as a manuscript obituary is called, which was kept by a family named Grimshaw.

In 1816 the graveyard having become too small for the Chapelry requirements, the Rev. Abraham Ashworth, then perpetual curate of Newton, with the consent of the Bishop of Chester and of the Warden and Fellows of Manchester, as patrons of the living, conveyed under the powers of 43 Geo. III., 2,600 square yards of the adjacent glebeland as an addition.

This plot included the site of the old Parsonage, and was bounded on the west by Culcheth Lane, and on the north by the old churchyard. The trustees in whom it was vested were Sebastian Nash of Clayton, Thomas Todd, Joseph Barker, and Robert Keymer of Newton, Otho Hulme, John Hulme, and Joseph Todd of Manchester, all described as merchants.

In 1818 the whole churchyard with this addition was reinclosed. The contract was dated January 1, and was made between

¹ The south side of the Parish churchyard was divided into allotments or hills, peculiar to the district whose name they bore, as Droylsden Hill, Moston Hill, Stretford Hill (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 5, *History of Stretford*, vol. i., p. 122 and note).

² On the northern part of Newton churchyard there was a massive yew, which was supposed to have been planted at the building of the Chapel, and its branches were so wide spreading as to be able to hide all Old Jacky Whitehead's day school children when "they've bin playing at hidink seek with th' owd mon."

Near the old Parsonage a fine old Charles's Oak grew, and was so called because its branches were used largely for decoration in honour of King Charles the Martyr on the 29th of May each year (Manchester Courier *Local Gleanings*, volume i., p. 46).

Wm. Whitehead of Failsworth, bricklayer, and Joseph Fletcher¹ of Manchester, gentleman, treasurer of the trust of Newton Church.

The contract was for a stone wall round the east, north, and west sides, and a brick wall on the south side. The cost was about £225.

On August 10, 1818, Wm. Wharton and John Moses of Manchester, ironfounders, agreed with Joseph Fletcher as treasurer to erect an iron palisade on all four sides, with two double iron gates and two single gates ornamented with lead-work.

The hearse house was rebuilt in 1823, and the cost was £36.

The churchyard has been closed by government authority, with the exception of about fifty or sixty vaults and bricked graves. Under certain restrictions, however, the old graveyard was, until recently [1862], still available for interments.

On March 22, 1855, about two acres, given by the Dean and Canons out of their Scotland Hall estate, and about a quarter of a mile west-south-west of the Church, were consecrated as a new cemetery. The cost of enclosing, levelling, and consecration was about £100, which was met by public subscription.


This ends Mr. Higson's account of the churchyard.

GRAVESTONES.

Amongst the gravestones are the following :—

1. In memory of Mary Partington, Wife to Iohn Partington
Eldest Daughter to William Williamson of Newton
Gentleman. Shee departed this life the 25 day of January
1672 ;
and of William Williamson of Newton [who] was buried
the 9 day of Nouember Anno Dom. 1689.

¹ Joseph Fletcher was master of Newton National School about 1817. Elijah Ridings, the Failsworth poet, was one of his scholars. Although here described as of Manchester, he does not appear to be the same Joseph Fletcher who is mentioned in Slugg's *Reminiscences*, p. 94.

2. Nicholas Hartley late of Hollinwood who Dyed in the 68th year of his age and buried April 16th Anno Dom. 1720.
3. With a double cross  at the two upper corners, reads—
Here . lieth . the . bode . of . Mary . Kempe . Davghter . of
Henry . Kempe . of . Failsworth . buried . the . 30 . day
of December, 1676. Also the Body of the said Henry
Kempe of Failsworth, yeoman, Buried March the 14th
1709 Aged 76 yr.
4. In memory of William Leigh of Manchr., who died
Nov. 3, 1763, aged 29, and three of his children; also
Fanny wife of John Antrobus of Manchr., who died
Sep. 25, 1785, aged 44; Frances dau. of Lees Hobson
of Manchr. was buried Dec. 27, 1768, aged 16 mōs;
Lees Hobson his son buried Aug. 6, 1771, aged 5; John
Antrobus died Jan. 6, 1809, aged 64, and Jane his wife,
who died Apr. 19, 1823, aged 83.
5. At the east end, under the chancel window—In memory of
James Heywood¹ of Manchester, died Aug. 12, 1783,
aged 57; Esther, his wife, died May 22, 1789, aged 64;
Mary Heywood, died Oct. 19, 1831, aged 79; Benjamin
Heywood, died Oct. 10, 1828, aged 53; Elizabeth,
wife of Benjamin Heywood, died Nov. 28, 1854,
aged 74.
6. In memory of the Revd. James Burgess, late minister in
Saddleworth, who died Sept. 29, 1758, aged 71 years.
7. Here resteth the body of James Berry, late serjeant in the
N[ewton] & F[ailsworth] V[olunteers], who died Feb.
29th, 1808, aged 31 years.

¹ This family does not appear to have been related to the late Alderman Abel Heywood of Manchester, whose ancestors came from Bolton and Prestwich, nor to the late Charles Heywood of Manchester, Solicitor, whose ancestors came from Kirk Burton, nr. Huddersfield.

Serjeant Berry is dead, was all his comrades cry,
 And grief was seen in every soldier's eye ;
 No more the drum and fife so shrill shall sound,
 To call him with quick steps along the ground ;
 For now, alas ! he's gone ; he lies at rest,
 In hope with all his comrades to be blest.

8. A gravestone representing a coffin adorned with a skull and crossbones, emblems of Freemasonry and the sacred monogram. The inscription is

"The remains of Charles Ashworth of Manchester
 here doth lie,

His better parts are in the Lodge on high,
 The level's worth he knew, upright and fair,
 And a brother depended on the square.

Yon glorious Arch to contemplate upon
 That valliant mystery of Three in One."

He departed this life Feb. 14, 1813, aged 83.

"This is done by his mother Mary Ashworth." Also James their son, who died Nov. 14, 1813.

All you that pass by take a thought,
 How soon hot friendship is forgot.

9. In memory of John Ridge of Manchr. Ap. 2, 1812, aged 78 ; Elizth. his wife, Feb. 16, 1825, aged 36 ; and Sarah Ann, d. of John and Frances Tattersell, who died May 10, 1829, aged 7 months.

[On Aug. 26, 1765, John Ridge, tailor, and Betty Pendleton of Failsworth were married at M. Coll. Ch.]

10. A tombstone at the east end of the burial ground is inscribed to the memory of Ann, wife of Chas. Travis Faulkner, aged 30 years, and Amelia, their dau., aged 4 years, who with Fredk., their son, aged 3 months, perished off Puffin Island, Anglesey, by the wreck of the *Rothsay Castle* steam vessel on the night of the 16th of August, 1831. The same stone records the burial of Ann, second wife of C. T. F., who died May 4th, 1863, aged 59, and C. T. F. of Moston Bank House, who died

Nov. 10, 1863, aged 66, and William Faulkner of Harpurhey Hall, born July 24, 1822, died June 17, 1902.

11. Richard Rothwell of Manchester, Huntsman, who died Oct. 8, 1733, aged 42, and Elizabeth his wife, who died May 1, 1777, aged 51, also Jane his daughter, who died Sept. 30, 1748, aged 18 hours, also Sarah wife of John Drinkwater, who died Oct. 2, 1842, aged 22.

12. Francis Henry Drake Isdell, who died May 14, 1834, aged 30, also Elizabeth his wife, who died Dec. 14, 1837, aged 52, and William Isdell their only son, who died March 9, 1885, aged 72. [The family claim descent from Sir Francis Drake of Armada fame.]

13. Besides No. 7, another martial one is over the remains of William Brown, late of Failsworth, a native of Basingstoke in Hampshire, who died Feb. 27, 1830, aged 52.

A Sergeant brave, and husband dear,
A neighbour good, loved far and near
Lies here, remov'd from noise and strife
Till God shall call him back to life.

14. The sentiment in the lines of No. 13 is forestalled in one of earlier date over Hannah, child of Philip and Lucy Berry of Failsworth, buried Jan. 25, 1791, aged 3 years.

The tender plant that sleepeth here,
Was much beloved by parents dear,
Few were her days, short was her race
But we hope [that] Heav'n's her resting place.

and the following lines are inscribed on No. 4:

My plants did flourish fair,
Like to a rose in June,
But Death, with his cold blast,
Has cropped my tender blooms.

ENDOWMENT AND PARSONAGE.

ON October 5, 1644, a number of inhabitants within Manchester Parish petitioned the Committee for Sequestrations met at Manchester, that divers chappells wthin the parish were greatly

or altogether wantinge meanes competent for preachinge ministers, and that divers members of the Collegiat Church of Manchester, delinquents as they conceived, whose estates were not as yet sequestred, desired that inquisition be made after the said delinquents and their estates, which might be employed towards the allowance of competent maintenance to the ministers. John Gilliam was one of the petitioners, but the addresses are not given (*Plundered Ministers' Accounts*, L. & C. Record Soc., vol. 28, p. 252-3.) The Petition was endorsed with an order to pay to each approved minister at any of the said chappells fourtie pounds p anñm by equall porcons at the end of every quarter (*op. cit.* p. 253).

On February 13, 1646, William Walker gave a receipt for £10, paid according to an order, for officiating at Newton Heath; on October 31, 1646, £10 more; on May 29, 1647, £20; and on September 12, 1647, and October 10, 1647, £5 each time; and on January 15, 1647-8, £3 (*op. cit.* p.p. 263-4). On August 2, 1648, the Committee at Preston referred to an order made at their last meeting for a fifth part of the sequestered estates of George Thorpe of Newton to be allowed unto his wife for the maintenance of herself and childe and the said estate was "farmed out to Mr. Walker minister att Newton for this present yeare" order y^t the agents allowe her a fifte part of the rent for which the estate is farmed in liewe of the fifte parte allowed as aforesaid, and if shee shall in any kind interrupte the said Mr. Walker in possession of the estate shee is not to receive any benefitt of her fifte part (*op. cit.* p. 258).

On June 26, 1656, Samuel Birche of Ardwicke Sen., Mr. Cheetham, Mr^s Barlow, Mr. Thos. Oldham, Mr. Bowker and Mr^s Moseley were ordered to show cause on November 11, wherefore they deteyne from Mr^s Mary Bourne widdowe the arrears of the tythes of the Hamblets of Crumpsall Ardwicke and Bradford and other tithes within the par. of Manch., whereby shee is disabled to pay unto the trustees the rent by her payable (*Plundered Ministers' Accounts*, Part ii., L. & C. Rec. Soc., vol. 34 p. 139).

On December 11, 1654, an order was made for payment out of the tithes of Manch. Par. to the minister of Newton Chappell 40^{li} (*op. cit.* p. 55), and on July 9, 1655, an order was made that Mr. John Walker (approved according to the ordinance for approbacon of Publique Preachers) bee and hee is hereby appointed minister of the Chappell of Newton [within Manch. Par.] and that hee diligently preach to and instruct the parishoners of the said chappelry and that hee shall have for his service the yearely sume of 40^{li} to be from time to time continued unto him out of the rents and profitts of the tithes of Manchester aforesaid for such time as he shall discharge the duty of minister of the said place or further order of the Trustees; to bee accompted from the 25th of March last past and Mr. Robert Stockdale receiver is to pay the same unto him accordingly (*op. cit.* p. 77).

On October 11, 1655, an order was made upon the Receiver for paying to Mr. John Walker of Newton £40 out of the tithes of Manchester (*op. cit.* p. 91), and a like order on Feb. 23, 1658-9 (p. 289).

Mr. Higson states in his *MS.*, pp. 19-20, that according to Canon Raines, Bishop Bridgman of Chester in the reign of James the First (1603-25) made an order respecting the pew rents and curate's maintenance.

In 1650 the Curate, John Walker, received £34 2s. 3d. from lands and tenements in Newton, formerly paid to Manchester "until by order restrained," also tithes worth £8 per annum in Newton and £2 per annum in Kirkmanshulme. Besides this, the Lambeth *MSS.*, vol. ii., state that £40 was paid to Mr. Walker by his hearers, being inhabitants, by voluntary contributions, adding that their tithes which were formerly payable to the Warden and Fellows of Manchester were then kept by the inhabitants in their own hands towards the £40. The Lambeth *MSS.*, vol. ii., also state that, 'a dwelling-house of two bays and a stable of one bay have been built by the inhabitants for their Minister.'

In 1717 the minister certified that nothing belonged to the living but a house for him, a small barn with shippin or cowhouse, about an eighth of an acre for a garden place ; that the surplice fees averaged 35s. per annum, and voluntary contributions about £22 per annum. The Chapel was stated to be then well and uniformly seated.

In 1717 John Greaves, gentleman, gave £300 towards augmenting the living.

About 1813 or 1814, the Rev. Abraham Ashworth as curate returned the living as worth £96¹ per year from every source, the interest on £200 "in the Bounty office having been withheld since Michaelmas, 1809." [This retention was no doubt on account of the Chapel having fallen down and nothing having been done towards re-erecting it.]

When the Church was rebuilt, the old Parsonage house, which stood to the south of the Church, was pulled down, and the materials were used for the Church foundations. The site of the house was added to the churchyard.

About 1818 the present stuccoed brick gothic edifice was erected from designs of the Assistant Curate, the Rev. John Piccope, sometime Rector of Farndon, near Chester, whose valuable MSS. are in the Chetham College Library.

On October 6, 1824, the trustees paid £60 to the Warden and Fellows of Manchester, who had caused the Parsonage garden to be walled round. This garden abutted on the south side of the churchyard and on the west side of Graver Lane, so that the new Parsonage had its back to the site of the old one.

In 1835 the value of the living was returned at £155 net.

In 1860 the population of the Parish was given at 14,000, for whom there were 1,100 sittings, of these 380 were free seats.

¹ The small estate, about twenty acres, allotted from the Heath, and belonging to the Chapel, had, within the preceding twenty years, been rented at £30, 40, 60, 70, and latterly £80, which (*less* property tax) left £72, but in future it was expected to be less, as several farmers deemed it not worth more than £60 ; interest of £100, £5 ; dues, £16 ; chapel seats, £15 ; total £96.

The pew-rents were £80, and the permanent endowment was £93½17s.

Thus far Mr. Higson's *MS.* carries the account.

In 1888½ the value of the benefice was £341. It is now made up of appropriation, £159; glebe, twenty acres, valued at £80; fees, £100; pew-rents, £160; Queen Anne's bounty, £23; Ecclesiastical Commissioners, £70; gross, £433; net, £403, and house.

When Droylsden and Failsworth were formed into Peelite parishes, under 6 and 7 Vict. cap. 37, the incumbent of Newton obtained from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners an annual grant of £15 for loss of fees. The Order in Council was dated October 7, 1844, and was gazetted on October 22. It provided for payment by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of £100 yearly to the minister of each of the two districts, Droylsden and Failsworth, and £30 more when a building for divine service was provided, and this was to be made up to £150 per annum as soon as the building was consecrated.

The Droylsden District was to be the Township of Droylsden, and the Failsworth District was to be the Township of Failsworth.

NEWTON CHAPEL OFFSHOOTS.

BESIDES St. Mary's, Droylsden (Rev. F. Knight, present Rector), and St. John's, Failsworth (Rev. Jos. Barnes, present Rector), Newton Chapel has become the parent of St. Cross, Clayton (Rev. J. White), Christ Church, Bradford (Rev. T. Fletcher, D.D.), St. Aidan's, Bradford (Rev. F. E. E. Swann), St. Anne's, Newton Heath, consecrated in 1883 (Rev. Edwin Jones), St. Augustine's, Newton Heath, consecrated 1884 (Rev. W. Holden), St. Mark's, Holland Street (Rev. S. N. Perry), St. John the Evangelist's, Miles Platting (Rev. A. Anderton), St. Luke's, Miles Platting, consecrated 1875 (now vacant). The Kirkmanshulme portion of Newton is provided for by St. Agnes, Birch (Rev. H. Norburn), and St. Cyprian, Kirkmanshulme (Rev. J. G. McCubbin).

SECTS.

IN 1839 a Wesleyan Chapel was built of brick in Oldham Road, and was at that time in the First Manchester Circuit. This Chapel was renovated in the early sixties, and a brick porch added with stone dressings and two labels inscribed "Wesleyan Chapel." A new school, with a house at the rear for the Chapel-keeper, was built at this later date (Higson's *MS.* p. 51).

Mr. Fielding, in *Rural Historical Gleanings*, p. 210, records that in 1852 the Wesleyan Methodists had a Chapel in Newton with about three hundred Sunday scholars, and the New Connexion Methodists had a preaching place and Sunday School in Culcheth Lane with nearly five hundred scholars.

The Wesleyan Methodists now own Chapels at Miles Platting, Newton Heath, Monsall, and Woodhouses, within the Oldham Road Circuit, and served by Revv. T. B. Norton and W. W. Ward.

The Independent Methodists have Chapels in Varley Street, Miles Platting, and Mill Street, Bradford.

There are Methodist New Connexion Chapels at Miles Platting, at Newton Heath, at Ten Acres Lane, Newton, and at Failsworth.

The Primitive Methodists' Seventh Circuit has a Chapel at Newton Heath, served by the Rev. F. W. Atkin.

The Presbyterians and Unitarians have their Free Church in Mill Street, Bradford, served by the Rev. W. E. Attack.

The Congregationalists have also a Chapel in Newton Heath, of which the pastor is the Rev. John McMillan.

These are in addition to the old Dob Lane Chapel in Failsworth, of which a more extended notice will be given later on, and the churches belonging to the Roman Catholics, namely:— St. Edmund's in Monsall Street, Queen's Road, served by the Rt. Rev. W. Bradley, the Revv. J. Moore, and F. Clarke; Corpus Christi, Varley Street, Miles Platting, of which the Rt. Rev. M. Geudens is Abbot, and the Norbertine Fathers are

Gerebern Seadon, V. Maghie, Gabriel Bertram, and G. Toner; St. Bridget's, Mill Street, Bradford, served by the Revv. W. Sassen, B. Hickey, and J. Hickson.

The spiritual wants of the district may be also said to be looked after by the Salvation Army, with its branches at Miles Platting and Newton Heath.

CHAPTER III.

NEWTON IN THE TIME OF THE MANCHESTER CLASSIS, 1646-1660.

AS an addendum to the preceding notice of Newton Chapel, and a prelude to an account of the ministers who served that Perpetual Curacy, which has now become a Rectory, the following notes from Mr. Shaw's *Manchester Classis* (Cheth. Soc., N.S., vols. 20, 22, and 24) are of interest.

On October 2, 1646, an Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament was promulgated dividing Lancashire into nine classical presbyteries, and the first Classis contained the parishes of Manchester, Prestwich, Oldham, Flixton, Eccles, and Ashton-under-Lyne. This Classis comprised, amongst others, Mr. William Walker, minister of Newton, John Wright of Bradford, yeoman, and James Jolly of Droilsden, gentleman, as representing the Newton Chapelry.

The first meeting was held at Manchester on February 16, 1646-7, when it is recorded that no elders appeared from Newton,

and it was answered that the reason was because of some difference betwixt minister and people; but at the second meeting, on March 16, there appeared for Newton Mr. Walker, minister, John Wright, Thos. Baronn, and Peter Ashton, elders. No explanation is given as to how Baronn and Ashton were appointed elders, but Mr. Shaw notes (p. 24) that John Wright was resident in Newton Heath in 1641-2, where he signed the Protestation, and the will of a John Wright of Lancashire was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury in 1653.

Baronn's name is spelt variously in these records, Baron, Beronn, Berron, Biron, and Byron. He was, Mr. Shaw notes, a chapman of Manchester, residing for some part of his life at Newton. He signed the Protestation among the inhabitants of Newton Heath in 1642 as Thomas Barron. In the Manchester Court Leet Records (Earwaker's ed.) will be found mention of various purchases of land by him (vol. v., pp. 16, 49, 58).¹ The notice of the succession of his son "Benjamin Berron, clerk," to his estate occurs in these Leet Records, vol. v., p. 215, where Mr.

¹ On April 28, 1674, the Manchester Court Leet Jury found that Benj. Berron Clerke was heire unto his late father deceased (Mr. Thomas Berron) & his of full age and is to doe sute for his lands in Manchester (M. C. L. R., vol. v. p. 215). Mr. Earwaker notes that Thos. Baron, Berron or Birron, on October 4, 1664, was found to have purchased lands from John Pexwick gent. at the Withingreave in Manchester. The Will of Thos. Baron of Newton par. Manch. chapman dated June 27, 1673, was proved at Chester, June 20, 1674. He devised his property in Droylsden, to his grandson Thos. Siddall and his heirs and assigns for ever subject to testator's wife Elizabeth enjoying a third of it for life and to £10 legacies apiece to [Testor's dau.] Anne wife of Robt. Wrightson to Thamar wife of John Strenger, to [grandchildren] John Benj. and Esther Siddall and to my dau. Thamar mother of said Thos. Siddall 40s. yearly during her life. He also mentions his son Benjamin and his (Testor's) grandchildren Joseph Costerdyn and Anne Wrightson; his son-in-law Thos. Ellison rector of Ashton-under-Lyne and his wife Esther and their children Thos. and Esther; Mr. Walker late minister at Newton Heath Chapel, and Mr. Lawton now minister at N. H. Chap.; testator's sister Elizth. Hanckinson and his sister-in-law Jane Pendleton and (testor's) granddaughter Elizth. Richardson, his kinsman Titus Baron, "also I give the sum of £20 to the poor of Newton to be paid in seventy years in which years Edward Marsden of Openshaw shall have 10s. yearly and John Ogden of Faylsworth 5s. yearly if they shall so longlive and the rest amongst the poor."

Earwaker has printed an extract from the will of the Elder. (See also preceding note and Newcome's *Diary*, p. 89).

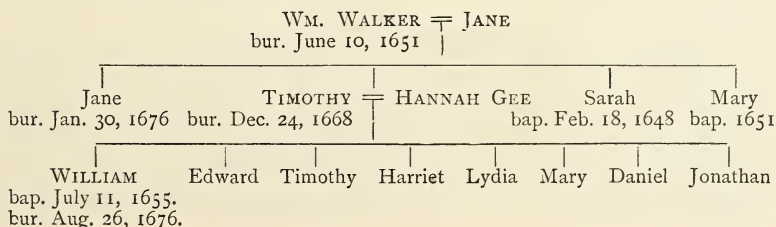
Peter Ashton occurs among the Protestors at Newton Heath in 1642, and appears as Peter Assheton taking the oath of allegiance October 7, 1661. His son (?) Peter occurs as a protégé of John Angier, and as of Pembroke College, Cambridge (*Local Gleanings*, vol. ii. p. 88; Newcome's *Diary*, pp. 80, 84).

The attendance of the minister and elders of Newton Chapelry was fairly regular throughout the duration of the Classis, of which the 163rd or last meeting was held August 14, 1660, but Elder Wright's last attendance was on July 13, 1652.

At the second meeting, March 16, 1646-7, papers were read concerning Mr. [Wm.] Walker and the congregation at Newton. The matter was debated (no details given), and it was put to the question whether the Classis approved of Mr. Walker's removal from the congregation of Newton, and it was concluded in the negative (p. 27).

All question as to this "Mr. Walker's" christian name is settled by his signature "Will. Walker" to an ordination on April 15th, 1647 (p. 36), and "Wm. Walker" (p. 37). He was styled on June 15, 1625, "Clerk, minister of the College of Manchester." It is also alleged that he was curate of Littleboro', July, 1629, curate of Standish, 1639, under John Leigh, and was minister of Newton in 1641-2, when he signed the Protestation. Both John and William Walker have been already mentioned in relation to the Endowment (pp. 48-9).

A pedigree is given at p. 449 of Shaw's *Manchester Classis*, and was derived from Mr. J. E. Bailey's *MSS.*



This is not quite complete. His noncupative Will made about June 3rd, 1651, shows that William left eight children, Lydia, Timothy, Daniel, Jane, William, Jonathan, Sara, and Mary. His wife Jane, and son Timothy, as Executors, proved the Will in the Canterbury Prerogative Court, Sept. 23, 1651 (179 Grey). In it he directed that as Timothy and Daniel had been bound apprentices, they should buy their own clothes out of their portions.

There appears, however, to be considerable doubt whether there were not two William Walker's and two John Walker's in the ministry at the same time, one pair being natives of Standish Parish, and the other pair belonging to Manchester Parish, but the subject will be dealt with in fuller detail later on in the notice of William Walker in the succession of Curates of Newton.

At the fourth meeting, May 12, 1647, "the petition of Newton about Mr. Walker" was presented, and asserted by Mr. Walker, and the elders of the meeting deputed (Wright, Baron, and Ashton) to be truly subscribed. The minutes record "The agreement betwixt the said Mr. Walker and the people, consented unto and acknowledged on both sides" (p. 43).

On January 5 and 12, 1647-8, Mr. Wm. Walker was sicke, but attended on February 2. He was appointed chaplain at the Colleg. Ch. in 1648 (p. 448).

At the 29th meeting, on February 13, 1648-9, "the generalitie of the people of Newton did appeare before this Classe, and there did declare their willingness to have Mr. John Walker to bee their minister," and Mr. John W. was appointed to preach the next classical meeting at Manch., being the 13th of March next.

This clears up the point about whether the Newton minister was John or William Walker. It was William up to the date of the 29th meeting, and John afterwards. It is supposed that John came from Rivington in Standish Parish. Mr. W. F. Irvine, who is writing a History of Rivington Chapel, finds that John Walker was at Rivington in July, 1648, and here it is known that in the

following February a John Walker was accepted at Newton, and two months later, April 19, 1649, a vacancy was filled up at Rivington. Mr. Irvine has ascertained a mass of particulars about the Standish Walkers.

At the next meeting the Classis rendered thanks to Mr. John W. for his pains in preaching before them. Mr. William W. was still a member of the Classis. He was Moderator at 27th and 33rd meetings, and was the preacher at the 34th meeting. He was buried at Manch., June 10, 1651 (p. 449).

At the 37th meeting, on October 9, 1649, "Mr. Walker, minister at Newton, is to come in the next Classe for examination, a preparative to ordination," and on November 13 he brought in a testimonial of his proceeding Master of Arts in the University of Glasgow in Scotland, and was to bring in a testimonial of his lawful call to officiate at Newton, and of his life and conversation, and a certificate of his age (p. 128). He had been examined in Greek, Hebrew, and Latin, in physics, ethics, and metaphysics, and was approved of, and was directed to maintain a dispute in the negative whether men are chosen by God to salvation on account of foreseen faith (p. 129). At the following meeting he brought the requisite testimonial, and his negative defence of the question set was approved. He had also been examined in divinity, chronology, and ecclesiastical histories, and was approved of, and was to be ordained at Newton on Wednesday, January 9. On January 8 he returned his instrument or *Si quis*, and was appointed to preach at the next Classe.

The Classe appointed a day of humiliation to be observed at Newton on July 17, 1650, and on October 8, 1650, Mr. Walker of N. again preached. On February 11, 1650-1, both Wm. and John were appointed to preach at Manchester on the public fast day on the last Wednesday of that month, and on May 13 John was to preach at Gorton at a fast there on May 21, and Wm., "if not disabled by sickness," was to preach at an Exercise at Eccles on June 11, but on June 10, 1651, Wm. Walker was buried at

Manchester, and his daughter Mary was baptized there the same day, and John Walker min^r at Newton attended the 57th meeting that day.

An Exercise was observed at Newton on August 27, 1651, when Mr. Hollinworth and Mr. Meeke preached, and another Exercise was held there on January 21, 1651-2, when Mr. Angier and Mr. Hollinworth preached.

Peter Ashton one of the Newton elders, was delegated to attend the Provincial Assembly at Preston on October 1, 1652, and the Provincial Assembly at Blackburn on October 1, 1656.

Between January and July, 1653, Mr. John Walker was absent through sickness. He was delegated to attend the Provincial Assembly at Wigan on November 8, 1653, and was Moderator of the Manchester Classis on January 13th, 1656-7, and next meeting, and was the preacher on April 14, 1657, and was delegated to the Provincial Assembly at Preston for the first Wednesday in May, 1658.

There was an Exercise at Newton on the third Wednesday in December, 1658, and another on third Wednesday in March, 1659-60.

At the 163rd and last recorded meeting on August 14, 1660, Mr. John Walker and Elders Baron and Ashton attended, and Mr. Walker was appointed to pray at the ordination of Mr. Ellison at Flixton on the 28th, and to be Moderator at the next Classe.

It was not until August 2, 1662, that the Act of Uniformity was passed, under which Mr. John Walker and about seventy of the Lancashire Clergy were deprived of their livings.

CURATES.

WHATEVER may be the precise date when Newton Chapel was erected, there can be no doubt that the chapel was dependent from the first upon the mother church of Manchester for the performance of divine service, and for some time this was probably provided for by a rota amongst the Warden and Fellows,

but it was observed so imperfectly that the Archbishop of York had occasion to admonish the College to be more punctual in the observance of their duty, both in Manchester and at the villages roundabout, and as it was found more or less impossible for them to perform their primary duties in Manchester and also deal fairly by Newton, it was decided so early as 1598 to engage a permanent curate for the place.

Mr. Higson in his *MS.* (pp. 28, 33, 94) gives the following account of these permanent curates, derived from the Rev. John Booker, who in turn derived part of his knowledge from the *MSS.* of the Rev. John Piccope, who was assistant curate at Newton from 1816 to 1819, and who records that the first three were :—

1598. Mr. *Medcalf*, otherwise Meadcalf, according to the Chester Records.¹

1609. December 15, *Randle Bate*, according to the Chester Records, was curate of Newton, and was presented for not wearing the surplice and for preaching in Manchester Church without a license.

1615. *Humphrey Barnett*, whose son Nehemie was baptised at Manchester Church on June 11, 1615, when the father was styled “preacher, of Newton.”

1617. *George Gee* probably succeeded, for on August 24, 1617, Enocke son to George Gee preacher at Newton was baptised at Manchester, and on March 18, 1621–2, an infant child of Mr. Gee of Newton preacher was buried at Manchester, and two days later Susanna y^e wife of Mr. George Gee of Newton, preacher. He seems to have married again very speedily, for on October 10, 1623, the Manchester Register records the baptism of Martha daughter to George Gee of Newton clerk.

According to Hollinworth's *Mancuniensis*, p. 121. Mr. Gee was introduced by Mr. Paget.

¹ The Stockport Registers on December 11, 1608, record the baptism of Thos. son of John Mather, “minister at Newton Chappell,” but this more probably refers to one of the places in Cheshire named Newton.

On October 9, 1627, the Manchester Court Leet amerced him, as Minister of God's Word, for stopping a watercourse which passed from the Wheat Field through Lort's Croft at Fails-worth (Earwaker's Manch. Court Leet Rec., vol. ii. p. 137).

[Mr. Earwaker notes that Mr. Gee was son of Ralph Gee of Manchester, who was buried there on May 30, 1598, and his elder brothers Edmund and John were both clergymen, the former at Tedbourne St. Mary, co. Devon, and the latter at Dunsford, co. Devon. Mr. George Gee was buried at Manchester January 28, 1635-6, being described in the Register as "preacher of the word of God at Newton." He and George Clarke of Manchester, haberdasher, are described as "my loving kinsmen" in the will of John Gee (October 5, 1629), proved at Chester May 21, 1630. George Clarke was the Manchester benefactor, whose Charity still exists. He married Alice, daughter of Ralph Gee, and sister of George Gee, and her sister Elizabeth married Charles Worsley of Platt-in-Rusholme. George Gee had a son Edward, who had a legacy of £20 under the will of his aunt, Mrs. Alice Clarke, December 21, 1637, where she describes him as "my cousin Edward Gee, clerk, M.A., son of my brother, George Gee, clerk, deceased." He had also a son, Christian, who took a legacy of £10 under the same will.]

Mr. Gee's will was dated January 20, 1635-6, and was proved at Chester April 21, 1636.

1637 Bernard :—Mr. Higson continues his account with a note by Mr. Booker, naming a *Mr. Bernard* as Curate from 1637 to 1640.

The Piccope list has the entry : "Barnardes, 1637 (Manchester Register)."

In the Owen MSS., vol. 79 p. 72, in a list of wills is noted :—"Culcheth, John, of Culcheth, Esq., 1640, Mr. Bernard, minister of Newton, Manchester Parish." This seems to mean that Mr. Owen had found Mr. Bernard mentioned in Mr. Culcheth's will in 1640. On the other hand, the Lanc. and Ches. Record Society's Index to the Wills at Chester, gives John Culcheth's residence as

"Culheth in Winwick Parish," in which case Mr. Bernard was probably of Newton-in-Makerfield, and not of Newton in Manchester Parish.

Robert Symond, who was High Master of the Manchester Free Grammar School in 1637, seems to have succeeded. The Manchester Registers record the burial, on September 10, 1646, of Elizabeth wife of Mr. Robert Symond of Failsworth, minister, and the marriage on April 20, 1658, of Charles Beswick of Stockport, minister, son of John Beswick late of [Fletcher Fold] Failsworth, deceased, to Sylance [Silence] Symonds of Manchester, daughter of Robert Symonds, rector of Dalberrie in the county of Derbi. Mr. Symonds is further noticed in the *Bury Classis Minutes* and Shaw's *Annals of Oldham*, under date 1649.

William Walker :—After Mr. Symonds came Mr. William Walker. Some notes respecting him and his successor, John, and the confusion respecting them will be found in the section dealing with Newton under the *Classis ante* pp. 55–8.

William Walker is mentioned in connection with the Manchester Collegiate Church on October 2, 1646, and again in 1649. The Manchester Registers record on February 18, 1648–9, the baptism of Sarah, dau. of Mr. Wm. Walker, Chapline of Manchester, on June 10, 1651, the baptism of Mary, dau. of Wm. Walker, clerke, also the burial of Wm. Walker, "minister at Manchester." Hibbert Ware in *Foundations of Manch.*, vol. i. p. 303, says Mr. Wm. Walker was incapacitated from duty by indisposition for about five years, and (p. 324) died in the summer of 1658 [*sic* for 1651], and Dr. Renaud (*Manch. Fellows*, p. 174) alleges that he died in 1654.

The following is Dr. Renaud's account of Mr. Wm. Walker :—Mr. William Walker was son or grandson of Mr. Charles Walker of Droylsden, who was living in 23 Eliz., and of a respectable family (Raines *MSS.*, vol. vi. p. 237). He was Chaplain of the Colleg. Ch. along with Richd. Hollinworth in 1650. He had been elected Fellow in 1646, but, disdaining the title and probably

not being installed, he afterwards called himself "Minister" and "Preacher of the Word." On April 14, 1647, he preached an Ordination Sermon in the Colleg. Ch. at the ordination of seven candidates for the ministry (Booker's *Didsbury*, p. 55). He was associated in the first Classis with the Presbyterians, Heyrick, John Harrison, Edwd. Woolmer, and Tobie Furness. In 1651 he became Rector of Brindle, but was not instituted, and soon retired (Raines *MSS.*, vol. xxii. p. 66); probably also Vicar of Whalley, 1651 (see Whittaker, p. 151, 3rd ed.). He was for some time in bad health disabled from preaching, and after an uneasy life died September 19, 1654. He was married in 1629. In an old *MS.* book in the possession of Rev. J. Piccope is recorded the following epitaph on Mr. Walker of Manchester:—

He walk'd uprightlye, Reader, say
Who wou'd not wish to walk y^t way?
His walk now finish'd, Reader, tell
Who wou'd not wish to walk as well?

His son William was an Attorney of the Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster, July 3, 1676, (Raines *MSS.*, vol. xxxvii. p. 365), and married Mrs. Grace Butterworth of Lower Place, near Rochdale (see her will).

His [eldest] son Timothy Walker of Manchester, chapman, married Hannah, dau. of Mr. Stephen Gee of the same, Sep. 19, 1654 (*Manch. Regs.*).

There was a Nicholas Walker of Ashton-under-Lyne, widower, gent., who married Susan, dau. of Henry Leigh, late of Baguley, Esq., Oct. 12, 1654, at Manch. (*M. Reg.*, and see Pedigree Raines *MSS.* vol. xiii.). She died at Ashton, a widow, 1688, leaving two sisters, Mrs. Frances Chorlton of Manch., wid., and Elizth. Leigh of Baguley, single woman, her heirs. Her will is dated June 15, 1683. This concludes Dr. Renaud's account of the Walkers.

According to Mr. Higson, in 1646 William Walker is set down as minister of Newton, and on March 6, 1648–9, "William Walker, minister of the gospel at Newton Heath Chappel" signed

the "Harmonious Consent" of the ministers of Lancashire (*Foundations*, vol. i. p. 397).

On June 4, 1650, the Parliamentary Commissioners or Sequestrators returned that Mr. *John Walker* preacher of the gospel, supplied the cure of Newton, and that Mr. William Walker was one of the two Masters, or Fellows, of the Collegiate Church.

The Register of Baptisms at Newton shows that in 1656 "John Walker, minister of Newton," baptised a daughter; in 1660, as "Mr. John Walker," he baptised his daughter Anne, and in March, 1662-3, as "John Walker, clerke," he baptised his son Peter.

Mr. Booker assigns William as curate in 1646, and John in 1649 and 1663, stating erroneously that the names probably referred to the same man.

The Manchester Registers contain an entry of the burial, on February 17, 1651-2, of John son to Richard Hollinworth "of Newton, minister." Possibly he merely resided in the Township, for the same registers on August 16, 1653, record the burial of John son to Richard Hollinworthe "of Manchester, clerke" [Fellow of the College.]

Calamy's *Nonconformists' Memorial*, vol. ii. p. 101, correctly says that "John" Walker, preacher of the Gospel, was ejected from Newton [in 1662, under the Act of Uniformity] but in the Index this is altered to "William."

Mr. Walker, says Calamy, vol. ii. p. 201, was a preacher of the Bolton Lecture. Just before the Restoration he was sent up to London, with some others, to seek an augmentation of some poor livings, but without success.

After his ejection he preached at Rivington Chapel [where he is said to have been the first Minister of the Dissenting Chapel] until he reached a good old age. The *Nonconformist Memorial* adds "he was a considerable man and a good preacher."

Mr. Higson (*MS.* p. 89) states that a nephew, Mr. John Walker, was for many years a dissenting minister at Brentford in Middlesex.

There was also a William Walker, Vicar of Whalley in 1651, but he vacated the living before 1656.

The will, dated January, 18, 1663-4, of Isabel Whitworth of Newton, mentions Mr. John Walker of Newton, Clerke.

Referring to the minutes of the Classis, it appears that on February 13, 1648-9, the Newton congregation were willing that John Walker should be their minister. At that time he was a preacher only and not ordained. On October 9, 1649, he was directed to come for examination as a preparation to ordination. On November 13, he brought a certificate that he was M.A. of Glasgow University, and was directed to bring in a further certificate as to his age. All these facts, and particularly the last, as to age, suggest that he was a very young man, possibly about twenty.

It has been supposed that he was a son of William Walker, who preceded him as minister at Newton, but of this there is no proof (see note p. 56). Dr. Renaud alleges in his account of the Fellows of Manchester that William Walker was married in 1629.¹

There was a John Walker at Rivington in 1645, who is supposed to have gone to Newton in 1649, and the Classis minutes clearly show that J. W. was at Newton in 1649, but if, as already noted, the John Walker of Newton was only about twenty in October, 1649, he could not be the same as this Rivington namesake.

A John Walker died at Heath Charnock, about a mile north-west of Rivington, in 1702, and Heath Charnock is in Standish Parish.

The Walkers are ubiquitous, and it seems impossible to identify these Johns with certainty.

Mr. W. F. Irvine, who is writing a history of Rivington, states that in 1668 a John Walker of Heath Charnock was elected

¹ The marriage meant was probably Manchester, 1628, July 28, William Walker and Margaret Hunte, but there also was in 1620, Sep. 4, William Walker and Isabell Mylner by licence, which better fits the requirements of the case.

Governor of Rivington Grammar School, and in 1682 he was one of the valuers of the Inventory of Samuel Newton of Rivington, and his successor as Grammar School trustee was elected in 1686. This seems to point to the John Walker of Heath Charnock being the same person as the Newton minister of that name, and the one who was buried February 8, 1684-5, at Mothley (? Methley, W. Riding, co. York).

Mr. Irvine also finds that in 1699 a John Walker of Heath Charnock bought a piece of land there called Blindhurst from Peter Shaw, and a John Walker of Heath Charnock, minister of the Gospel, by his Will dated May 29, 1702, leaves this same land, and other land at Castleton near Rochdale, and in Kingston Bowsey, co. Sussex, to members of his family, and mentions his wife, Janet, his three sons, John, Alexr., and Benjamin, besides a daughter, Elizabeth, and a niece, Hannah, dau. of his brother Abraham, and appointed his wife and his son-in-law, John Bradley of Rivington, schoolmaster, to be his executors. John Bradley married at Bolton, February 29, 1681-2, Elizth. Walker of the Parish of Standish. Thus the John Walker who died in 1702 leaving a daughter, Elizabeth, and son-in-law, John Bradley, was living in 1681, when the marriage took place, and cannot be the same as the John Walker who was buried at Mothley, February 8, 1684-5. On the other hand, his ownership in 1702 of land near Rochdale tends to the probability of relationship to the John Walker who was curate of Littleborough near Rochdale, in July, 1629, and to the John Walker who was ejected from Newton in 1662, and to the John Walker who obtained licences for Nonconformist meeting places at Newton and Rochdale in 1672.

If John Walker of Newton was about twenty in 1649, he would be 73 or 74 in 1702, which tallies with the allegation that he preached at Rivington Chapel "until he reached a good old age," and the marriage of his daughter Elizabeth in 1681 at Bolton is some support to the statement (Calamy, vol. ii. p. 201) that he was a preacher of the Bolton Lecture, and she might be

John Walker's daughter, whose name has been frittered away, who was baptised at Newton in 1656, and who would be about 25 in 1681.

Thomas Lawton succeeded John Walker, and on March 16, 1669-70, the Manchester Registers record that "Mr. Loton" christened at Newton Jeffrey son to Thomas Tildisley of Bradford. On December 19, 1675, Newcome enters in his *Diary*:—"Honest Mr. Lawton preached at the Collegiate Church"; and on August 19, 1676:—"I heard this day of the death of Mr. Pike, who went off in two or three days' illness, and on August 21 he was buried and Mr. Lawton preached his funeral sermon at Blackley (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 94; Newcome's *Autobiog.*, Chet. Soc., vol. xxvii., p. 304).

On February 28, 1687-8, Mr. Newcome says (*op. cit.* p. 307) "Honest Mr. Lawton, of Newton Heath Chapel, died this day," and one of the leaves torn from the Newton Registers records "Thomas Lawton, minister of Newton buried March 1st and affadavitt brought according to Act [for burying in Woollen] 1687."

William Coulbourne succeeded. On July 13, 1659, a person of that name signed "proposals for accommodation agreed upon by pastors of the several Protestant Churches of England." On June 29, 1666, Newcome writes:—"it was this day that I had the first direct account of Mr. Coulbourne's miscarriage, which did much trouble me." This miscarriage was his conforming. Calamy mentions William Coleburn ejected from Ellinburgh [near Worsley] as one who afterwards conformed.

In 1693 the Gorton Chapel register alludes to Mr. Will. Coulborne of Newton Heath.

The fragments of the old Newton Register record in 1693 the baptism of one of his children, describing Mr. Coulbourn as of Newton, Clerk; in August, 1695, his son Henry was baptised, and in October, 1695, Henry was buried.

Mr. Coulbourn probably left Newton shortly after this, for in June, 1697, on the death of Mr. Brown, vicar of Mottram, Wm. Colbourn succeeded, and in 1715 he died.

John Jackson. According to the arrangement made by Messrs. Higson and Owen of the fragments of the old Chapel Register, John Jackson succeeded, as in January, 1694-5 he had a daughter baptised, and in October, 1697, a son.

James Lawton succeeded. On September 2, 1695 (or 6, the year is uncertain), the fragments of Newton Register record a wedding signed by "James Lawton, Curat^o ibidem," and he attests several others until July 1, 1702. On August 11, 1702, he signed an entry under the Burial in Woollen Act, adding "Curat apud Newton," and the same Register on September 11, 1702, records that [James Lawt-]on, minister of Newton was buried at [St. Mary's Parish Church] Oldham, where his gravestone is inscribed:—"The Body of James Lawton of Newton in the Parish of Manchester Clerk, was Buried here the 4th day of Sept. Anno Dom. 1702, also the Body of Sarah, the wife of James Lawton, Clerk, was Buried here the 7th day of Nov. 1685."

In the Oldham Burial Register is entered:—Sept. 4, 1702, Mr. James Lawton, Minister of Newton Chappell (Higson *MS*). He was Master of Oldham Grammar School, and had been a Dissenting Minister in Derbyshire (see Shaw's *Oldham Annals*).

On March 31, 1704, *Griffith Swinton* was nominated by the Warden and Fellows to be curate of Newton Chapel.

The old Newton Register on May 12, 1709, records the burial of Bridgitt, wife to Mr. Swinton, minister at Newton. The Northowram Register, p. 237, however, states:—Mr. Swinton min^r at Newton Chapel near Manch., buried his wife April 29, 1709. On May 18, 1710, he was married by Mr. Bann to Mary Clough of Moston [or Manchester.]

On March 31, 1716, Mr. Swinton signed an entry of a wedding, and in 1717 signed a certificate as minister of Newton. He left in 1717 apparently, for in that year, according to Canon Raines, a curate was licensed to Newton Chapel, and the Northowram Register records at p. 292 that:—Mr. *William Perkins*, minister at Newton near Manchester, died November, 1724. Mr. Piccope's

notes, however, state that according to the Chester Records, Mr. Swinton was at Newton in December, 1726, and Mr. Swinton, "Curate of Newton," was buried at Manchester, on May 28, 1727.

On June 13, 1729, *Thomas Wroe* was curate. Mr. Higson states that he had met with a notice of Mary, relict of Rev. T. Wroe, late of Newton, on January 5, 1773. He was probably a member of a local family, and is most likely the same person as Thomas Wroe who was appointed a Hulme exhibitioner from the Manchester Free Grammar School, on July 22, 1723. The Northowram Register, p. 307, states that Mr. Wroe, Curate at Newton near Manch., died 19 Sept., 1730.

William Shrigley seems to have succeeded him in October, 1730, and was at Newton certainly on July 1, 1734. He died on October 28, 1756, aged 52, and was buried at Manchester on November 1. He was a chaplain at Manchester, and as such signed the register first in June, 1735, and last in January, 1749.

The Rev. *William Purnell* succeeded. He was educated at Oriel College, Oxford, where he took his B.A. on May 23, 1723, and M.A. on July 6, 1728. He was the first minister of Unsworth, where he preached his first sermon December 27, 1730. He was appointed to be second master at Manchester Grammar School on the death of Mr. Wall, and High Master on the resignation of Mr. Brooke on July 21, 1749.

His name first occurs in the Newton Registers on November 9, 1735. He died there April 16, 1764, aged 63, having by Will left money to educate a certain number of scholars free in Newton School. Mr. Higson states that he was buried in Newton Churchyard, where a flat gravestone is inscribed to his memory, but an annotator [Rev. E. F. Letts ?] says this is a confusion with Mr. Lawton, and that Mr. Purnell was buried at the Manchester Collegiate Church.

The Rev. *Richard Millward*, LL.B., succeeded on May 5, 1764, and his name occurs in the Newton Registers at intervals from December 30, 1764, to December 27, 1772. He signed the

Collegiate Church Register as Chaplain in March, 1773, was instituted a Fellow there in the year following, and died April 17, 1789, aged 58, and was interred at Manchester the same day. The *Manchester Mercury*, in announcing his death, styles him Curate of Newton and Domestic Chaplain to the Bishop of Carlisle, &c.

The Rev. *Matthew Sedgwick* was the next Curate. He was there in 1773, and is also recorded in 1786. He removed to Mossley, near Ashton-under-Lyne, on the death there of the Rev. John Cradock, and in 1790 died Curate of St. George's Chapel, Mossley, where his gravestone is inscribed:—"Sacred to the memory of the Rev. Matthew Sedgwick, who departed this life May 28th 1790 aged 63 years; also Alice Sedgwick his wife departed this life June 3rd 1810, aged 64 years; also Kitty their daughter, departed this life Nov. 6th 1799 aged 13 years."

He was a muscular christian, and the following tale is told of him. Mr. Sedgwick was going up Newton Lane with a basket of oatcakes and groceries on his head when a man, named Edmund Harrop of Openshaw, knocked the basket off. Mr. Sedgwick told him to follow him, and walked into the Buck [White Hart?] at Miles Platting, where he locked the door of a room, and then stripped for a fight. He beat Harrop, who seems to have been unaware that his opponent was a clergyman.

On May 9, 1797, Harrop's *Manchester Mercury* chronicled the marriage on Sunday se'nnight, at the Colleg. Ch. of Mr. Wm. Tattersall to Miss Sedgwick, dau. of the late Rev. Mr. Sedgwick of Mosley, near Ashton-under-Lyne.

The Rev. *Wm. Jackson*, M.A., was curate of Newton from July 23, 1789. He was buried at Newton.

Wheeler's *Manchester Chronicle* on September 3, 1791, stated:—"On Thursday, died at Stockport, supposed to be by the bursting of a blood vessel, the Rev. Wm. Jackson, M.A., chaplain to the Earl of Hardwick, one of the King's preachers for the County of Lancaster, and minister of Newton near this town. He was also minister of Denton in this Parish, and master of the

Free Grammar School at Stockport near forty years. His memory will be long revered by his loving friends, relatives, and hearers."

Booker's *History of Denton Chapel* (Chet. Soc., vol. xxxvii. p. 109) says Mr. Jackson, on the death of Mr. Wm. Williams, M.A., was appointed incumbent at Denton in 1759, on the nomination of Sir Thos. Egerton, dated July 6, 1759 (Higson *MS.*, p. 97).

The Rev. *Abraham Ashworth*, M.A., succeeded in 1792. He entered Manchester Grammar School January 23, 1765, went thence as an exhibitioner to Brasenose College, Oxford, took his B.A. October 14, 1779, and was in that year appointed a Hulmeian exhibitioner. He took his M.A. June 27, 1782, was curate of Aldridge, near Walsall, in 1784, and in 1817 was incumbent curate of Newton Chapelry, on the nomination of the Warden and Fellows of Manchester, having been assistant curate there in 1791.

On May 5, 1787, he married at the Collegiate Church Jane Woods, who died May 8, 1844, aged 85. Their daughter Mary died July 4, 1834, aged 46, and another daughter Catherine died April 11, 1836, aged 30.

His father, Simon Ashworth, and his mother were Dutch-loom weavers in Salford. They brought up their sons like gentlemen, but their daughters were well-nigh worked to death.

He had an impediment in his speech, and was suspended many years.

After the Chapel collapsed in 1808, he kept himself in office by preaching once a year in the east end of the ruins.

He died August 15, 1818, aged 62, in the 27th year of his residence at Newton. He was buried in the churchyard there.

The Rev. *Thomas Gaskell*, who (according to Mr. Higson) had been assistant curate to Mr. Ashworth for about nine years, succeeded him in 1818.

In 1797 he was English master in the Manchester Grammar School, living first at 13, Queen Street, St. Ann's, Manchester, and afterwards in Salford; and from 1796 till 1818 was incumbent of Stretford.

He was beloved by his Newton parishioners on account of his getting the local church rate settled up (Clarke's *Stretford MS*).

One of his hearers described him as an honest old fellow, not much in the pulpit, but the best man that ever lived in Newton. He married a Miss Rigby. He interested himself to obtain an organ for Newton Chapel, and an enlargement of the school, and the fencing in of the chapel yard. He also established a School Library of 600 volumes, promoted a Sick and Burial Society for the Sunday School with £600 capital, and assisted in the erection of the Parsonage. Hodgson's list of benefactions mentions that in 1826 he gave "£200 lands," to which Queen Anne's Bounty added £300, and he left £50 by his Will to be laid out in beautifying the Church.

He died June 20, 1834, aged 73, and was interred at the Collegiate Church, Manchester.

The Rev. *Wm. Hutchinson*, B.D., succeeded to the incumbency on September 29, 1834. He was previously curate at St. Mary's, Deansgate, Manchester.

He died June 4, 1876, and on October 5, 1876, was succeeded by the Rev. *St. Vincent Beechey*, junior, M.A., Caius College, Cambridge, who ceded the living on 10 February, 1885, when he removed to St. John the Evangelist's, Cheetham, is now rector of Denver Downham, Norfolk. He was succeeded by the Rev. *Ernest Frederick Letts*, M.A., Trinity College, Dublin, *ad eundem* St. Edmund's Hall and New College, Oxford.

ASSISTANT CURATES OR OCCASIONALLY OFFICIATING CLERGY.

BESIDES the formal holders of what may be called the living, who were or became in those pluralist days members of the College, the Warden and Fellows appear to have appointed when necessary some one to act as resident or assistant Curate, and of these the following list has been compiled.

In 1740 the Rev. *John Crouchley* was appointed. He is supposed to have been the son of John Crouchley of Flixton, Esq.

(see also Chet. Soc. *Fellows of Manchester College*, where he is erroneously alleged to have had a sister Jane Pownall), but in Foster's *Alumni Oxonienses*, vol. I. p. 323, he is correctly designated son of John Crouchley¹ [Surgeon] of Warrington, 'pleb.' He matriculated at Brasenose College December 17, 1730, aged 17, became B.A. 1735, and M.A. 1742. He was a protégé of the Rev. Thos. Moss, one of the Fellows, and attested his Will. On September 27, 1757, he was elected a Fellow in place of the Rev. Henry Brooke deceased. The *London Chronicle*, in the announcement of his death, styles him Incumbent of Newton.

Mr. Higson's *MS.*, pp. 34-5, gives the following information respecting him :—

According to the Newton Registers Mr. Crouchley was assistant Curate at Newton on October 28, 1736, when he signed the entry of the marriage by licence at Newton Chapel of Adam Crouchley of Salford [linen draper] and Susannah Levys of Manchester.

Mr. Crouchley was a bachelor, and rather singular in his habits. He always brewed his own beer, and performed many domestic duties not usually considered suitable to the dignity of a person in his profession. He gave some whimsical directions for his interment, and they were respectfully fulfilled. His coffin was carried

¹ Mr. John Crouchley of Warrington, surgeon, in his Will dated 1723 mentions his wife Jane (did she afterwards marry Mr. Pownall of Liverpool?) his sons Wm., John, and Richard and daughter Mary, and leaves to John a "messuage near Edge Green in Ashton." John Crouchley of Newton was 47 at the time of his death in 1760, so would be born in 1713. Richard son of John of Warrington is expressly stated to be "under age" when his father died, and John, Richard's elder brother, must have been only ten. Now John of Newton and Manchester in his Will mentions his predeceased sister, who was no doubt Mary, his elder brother Wm., and a brother Richard. On September 1, 1736, Wm. Crouchley "of Manch. innkeeper" obtained a license to be married to Anne Heywood of Manchester spinster, and on September 2, 1736, Will. Crouchley and Ann Heawood both of y^e Par. of Manch. were mar. by licence of Mr. Banks Sur. at Didsbury Church. Moreover the licence October 10, 1736, for the marriage of Adam Crouchley of Salford, chapman, to Susannah Levys of Manchester, widow, names Thomas Heywood of Manchester, saddler, and John Wood of Manchester, chapman, as bondsmen. Adam's son John is mentioned in the Manchester Grammar School Register.

round the Chapel three times whilst the mourners sang a psalm. He was buried in his ordinary attire, in order as he alleged, that he might be ready to lead his congregation on the day of resurrection.

He is also mentioned in the Churchwarden's book on March 23, 1757.

According to the inscription on his gravestone in the Chapel-yard, he was for more than 20 years resident curate of Newton, and afterwards a Fellow of the Collegiate Church at Manchester. He died June 1, 1760, aged 47 years.

His Will was dated November 12, 1759, and was proved at Chester, March 2, 1761, by the Executors, his brothers Wm. and Richard. By it he left "the whole sum of five shillings," to "Charles Boardman (son of a late sister of mine), whose actions were ever a discredit to his relations," and "if this wretch shall have left behind him a wife or children, I leave them to the charity of my Exōrs." To his brother Richard he left his joint interest in property at Altrincham, and to his eldest brother William the estate he (John) had long enjoyed in the parish of Winwick. He directed that all his written sermons and papers should be burnt.

Richard Asheton, minister, is mentioned in the Churchwardens' book in 1757-8, and up to August 10, 1760.

In *Fellows of Manchester College*, part ii. (Chet. Soc. N.S., vol. 23) pp. 216-225, there is an account of him, and of his ups and downs due to the bitter politics of the time. He was son of Robert Asheton, M.A., curate of Rochdale, and was baptised at Rochdale Parish Church, June 11, 1694. He went to Manchester Grammar School, and then to Brasenose College, Oxford. On July 19, 1720, the Fellows, during the vacancy in the Wardenship, elected him to the chaplaincy vacant by the death of the Rev. Henry Assheton, and the Bishop of Chester licensed him to officiate in the interim. Warden Peploe refused to confirm the Chapter's election, and in 1726, on becoming Bishop of Chester, he refused to sanction it (*Byrom's Remains*, vol. i. pp. 231-234).

On September 27, 1731, he was elected Fellow, in 1750 Sub-guardian, and in 1757 Senior Fellow and Vice Warden.

He died in 1764, aged 70, and was buried in Salford Chapel, of which he was incumbent in 1754.

His Will mentions his sister (and next of kin) Margaret wife of Jeffrey Hart of Salford, and his brother William, then deceased.

The Rev. *John Whitaker's* name occurs in the Churchwardens' Book on December 10, 1760, and at intervals up to August 29, 1763. He was born April 27, 1735, and died in Cornwall, October 30, 1808. He was renowned as the author of the *History of Manchester*, 1771-5, and other works (see Manch. Sch. Reg. i., 18; Allibone's *Dict. of British Authors*; Sutton's *List of Lanc. Authors*).

The Rev. *Peter Haddon's* name appears in the Registers as if assistant curate, August 30, 1761. He had been stipendiary curate of St. Mary's, Deansgate, Manchester, and was afterwards in a similar position at Blackley.

The Rev. *Henry Ainsworth* acted as minister on September 25, 1761, according to the Registers, and occasionally up to June 25, 1763. He seems to have been a native of Gorton, and was later the perpetual curate of Birch-in-Rusholme.

Rev. *John Newton* was "minister" in April, 1786 (Churchwardens' Book), and he was still at Newton Heath in November, 1788, when he married Miss Ward of Ashton-under-Lyne, in which parish he was born.

He was baptised at St. Michael's, Ashton, October 25, 1761, and went to Queen's College, Cambridge. He was nominated to Gorton Chapel, June 1, 1784. Afterwards he took the degree of M.A. He officiated at Didsbury in 1792, and on July 28, 1795, and was nominated to be incumbent there by John Newton, gent. He continued there till his death September 16, 1807, and was there buried.

William Singleton was "Curate pro tempore" on March 19, 1809. He was probably brother to R. A. Singleton, assistant curate of Blackley.

Mr. Higson's *MS.* p. 95, tabulates the foregoing assistant curates and adds:

1809, December 27 to 1819, October 30, Thomas Gaskell, but from November 3, 1816, to October 30, 1819, John Piccope, who bequeathed his valuable Lancashire manuscript collection to the Chetham Library. He had a son the Rev. G. J. Piccope.

1838, December to 1841, March 17—Edward J. Wrottesley, [who was preceded by the Rev. John Godfrey.]

1841, March 21 to 1842, January 1—Charles Mortlock.

1842, September to 1844, July 28—John C. Wood.

1844, October 9 to 1846, March 29—Edward H. Gregory.

1847, February 28 to 1855, November 18—John Robinson.

1856, September 28 to 1861, December 31—John Tinkler.

[1862 to January, 1864.—Edwin Dyson, now vicar of Shuttleworth, near Bury.

1865.—Peter Warburton of Brasenose College, Oxford.

1866.—George Feather, now vicar of All Saints, Glazebury.

1868.—W. Sparlen.

1868.—J. Godson.

1870.—William Hopwood, who died January, 1875.

1877.—William Linzey Baseley. He left in 1885, and is now vicar of Rhodes, near Middleton.

1885.—Harry Spearing Rogers, M.A. of Oxford, who left in 1888, and is now vicar of Pursdon, Pontefract.

1888.—Charles Emile Bahin, B.A. of London, who left in 1901.

1901.—Oswald Albert Peach, M.A. of Durham.]

Besides these Mr. Higson's copy *MS.* has been annotated with the following series of names :

De la Mere [John Henry, who was the first rector of St. John's Church, Failsworth.]

Jones [Edwin, who was curate in charge of St. Ann's, Newton, from 1875 to 1883, and since then has been rector of that new parish. He is a native of Mold, N. Wales, and succeeded the Rev. Basil Edwards, M.A., who was curate for "All Saints' No. 2 District" from

April 18, 1874, until November, 1875, and is now rector of Ashleworth in the Gloucester Diocese.]

Mercer [John Edward], M.A. of Oxford, came to the Rossall Mission in Newton in 1883, and left in 1889 on being presented to the Rectory of St. Michael's, Manchester, which he held till 1897, when he accepted the Rectory of St. James, Gorton, and is now Bishop of Tasmania. The Rossall Mission now works in St. Wilfrid's District of the All Saints' Parish, and is a Mission supported largely by Rossall School, which was founded by the late Canon Beechey, whose son, when Rector of Newton, induced the School to establish the Mission. A church will be built shortly, and the Parish of St. Wilfrid will be formed. Mr. Mercer was followed by Rev. Alfred R. Wilson, who died soon after leaving the Mission.

[Maclure, William Kenneth, B.A. of Cambridge, was Rossall Missionary at Newton from 1893 to 1898, when he was presented to St. Albans, Cheetwood. He is son of the Venerable Dean of Manchester.

Wilson, John Plumpton, M.A. of Oxford, was curate of Adlington, Chorley, from 1894 till 1898. He succeeded Mr. Maclure on the Rossall Mission from 1898 to 1902, and is now of Peel Vicarage. He was succeeded in 1903 by Wilfrid Roxburgh Menzies, B.A. of Caius College, Cambridge, as Rossall Missionary.]

CHAPEL WARDENS.

IN 1673 Newton annually elected two churchwardens. In the reign of George I., according to Bishop Gastrell, the minister chose the warden for Newton, and the Chapelry chose the others for Failsworth, Moston and Droylsden every third year.

The Droylsden township officials had four mahogany staves capped with silver, inscribed "Georgius IV. Britt. Rex. Fid. Def.



1821," which were kept in Newton Chapel until the Church at Droylsden was built (Higson's *Droylsden* p. 117).

April 1723 Thomas Whitaker of Clayton was churchwarden of Newton Chapel (Higson's *Droylsden*, p. 44).

The Chapel wardens passed their accounts every three years, and in their Minute Book it was recorded on June 14, 1737, that the last wardens gave up their accounts and paid to their successors, 11s. 5d. balance in hand. Their names are not given. The witnesses were John Crouchley, minister, and John Crompton, Joseph Johnson, John Lees and John Fletcher.

On June 14, 1740, the outgoing wardens (not named) passed their accounts for the three years preceding, and handed over 4d. in the presence of Mr. Crouchley, and Messrs. Joseph Johnson, John Fletcher, Richard Rothwell of Newton, and James Simister.

1740-1-2. James Simister of Newton and John Lees of Fails-worth.

1743-4-5. Richd. Rothwell of Droylsden and John Whitehead, Moston.

1746-7-8. Christ^r Wagstaffe of Failsworth, Richd. Rothwell of Newton.

1749-50-1- } John Howarth for Droylsden, Francis Rydings for
1752-3-4. } Moston.

1758. * Edwd. Newton. * Richd. Rothwell.

1759-60. T. Fearnhead for Droylsden. J. Ogden for Moston.

1761-2-3-4. John Taylor for Failsworth. John Arnold for Newton.

1765-6-7-8. Robt. Walmsley for Moston. John Hope [of Brad-ford] for Droylsden.

1769-70-1. Thos. Shepley, senr. Richd. Johnson.

1772-3. Edmund Newton, junr. Robt. Walmsley.

1774. James Clough. Thos. Shepley, senr.

1775. Thos. Walmsley. Thos. Shepley, senr.¹

¹ On May 1, 1775, they presented to the Chancellor of Chester and Rural Dean of Manchester two persons for the sin of fornication.

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1782-3-4	Jno. Arnold,	Newton ;	Robt. Walmsley,	Moston ;	
	Jno. Travis,	Droylsden ;	Jas. Brown,	Failsworth.	
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1786, Ap. 16.	Wm. Mayo,	Newton ;	Joseph Taylor,	Failsworth ;	
	Joseph Grimshaw,	Moston ;	John Travis,	Droylsden.	
	*	*	*	*	*
1805 ?	—	Moors of Moston and	Wm. Brown of Crown	Point,	Newton.
	*	*	*	*	*
1813, Oct.	John Yates,	Thos. Lancashire,	Robt. Bury.		
	*	*	*	*	*
1821.	Jas. Hough	of Newton Bleacher.			

CHAPELRY OR PARISH CLERKS.

1. On Feb. 28, 1622-3, James Hall of Newton, clerke, was buried at Manch. Colleg. Ch.
2. On Mar. 3, 1685-6, Alse (Alice) wife of John Jackson of Newton, Clarke, was buried at Newton.
On Feb. 2, 1694-5, the father of John Jackson, clerk, was buried there, and John was himself buried there on Oct. 30, 1697.
3. On Oct. 25, 1704, Jonathan son to Mr. Sam. Leech, clerk, was buried at Newton.
4. About 1760 "Clark" Jackson is mentioned.
5. Alexander Greaves was parish clerk for thirty-five years, and died Sept. 1, 1856, aged 88. He was buried in the new cemetery, where a neat memorial marks the grave (Higson *MS.* pp. 95-6).

REGISTERS.

MR. HIGSON prefaces his remarks on the Newton Chapel Registers with the following notes :—

In 1622 the Manchester Register contains a memorandum, "That Isaak Allen of Ouldeham, Clerke, and Anne Ashton,

one of the daughters of Richard Ashton of Ouldeham, gent., deceased, were dewly and solemnly married wythin the Chapel of Newton, in y^e Parish of Manchester, and diocese of Chester, the twenth daie of June last, 1622 ; a Lycense for the purpose of the Right Reverend father in God, John, Lord Bishop of Chester, being formally obteyned and hadd by George Gee, Clarke, Master of Arts, and preacher of the worde of God at Newton aforesaid."

The Manchester Register also records the marriage on June 9, 1655, of Robt. Wrightson of Newton, yarne whiter, son of Christ^r Wrightson ¹ of y^e same, yarne whiter, and Mary Hilton of Prestwich, Daughter of ffrancis Hilton of y^e same, husbandman.

On Jan. 8, 1666-7, a marriage licence was granted at Chester to the ministers of Manchester, Middleton, and Radcliffe, empowering them to marry Thomas Ellison, Clerk, Rector of Ashton-under-Lyne, and Hester Birom of Newton, spinster. Thos. Ellison died in 1700.

Mr. Higson then continues thus :

The rector [the Rev. W. Hutchinson] possesses fifty leaves which have at some time been torn from a Register book, and then kept in some damp place.

In the copy of them contained in the Owen MSS. vol. xli., it is stated that John Higson and John Owen in the months of December, 1862, to March, 1863, carefully examined, straightened, arranged and copied, the old remnants of the former book, the binding of which was represented by two bits of old calf leather.

The marriages from March 7, 1698, to April 1715, were on a slip and a half, forming three "pages" or sides.

The baptisms from January, 166⁸, to May, 1722, were on 35 fragments, making 70 sides, but seemed to have originally formed only twenty or thirty leaves of the book. The mutilated state

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¹ BURIALS AT MANCHESTER—

1684. March 28. Christopher Wrightson of Newton.

1691. April 17. Rowland Wrightson of Newton.

1711. April 1. Elizabeth Wrightson of Newton Heath, widow.

of these fragments, made their arrangement very hazardous and extremely doubtful in places. The fragments are marked off in Mr. Higson's transcript of Burials, and in Mr. Owen's transcript of Baptisms he has further indicated in the margin his conjectural numbering of the sides of the fragments. They may have been assisted in their labour by the shape of the edges, and by the dimensions of the fragments.

The Rev. O. A. Peach, curate in charge, states: that Messrs. Owen and Higson apparently did not fulfil their intention of making a transcript of these fragments for Mr. Hutchinson, but the Rev. E. F. Letts, Rector, with the help of an invalid skilled bookbinder residing in his parish, had all the fragments most carefully mounted on transparent paper, interleaved them, and had the whole handsomely bound. He had intended to give on the interleaves a copy of the Registers, if preserved at Chester, but no copies were there forthcoming, and a few notes only have been made by Mr. Letts on some of the interleaves. As I have not been able to see this volume of originals, I cannot say how far its arrangement tallies with that of the Owen transcript.

The edges of these leaves had gradually frittered away, and now many of the Christian names at the beginning, and the dates at the end of the lines are illegible. Some entries are even more dilapidated, and the sequence is difficult to identify.

The marriages range imperfectly from about April, 1682, to September, 1727; the baptisms from January 7, 1655-6, to May 1722, and half a dozen baptismal entries are inserted amongst the burials in 1727; the burials run from 1678 to March 7, 1728-9.

The total entries are baptisms 1783, marriages 82, burials 749, making 2614 entries in all.

Besides these leaves, there are in five volumes, marriages from June 13, 1729, baptisms from March 31, 1723, and burials from March 5, 1728-9.

After the entry of a marriage on March 23, 1754, occurs the following significant memorandum:—N.B. The 25th of this month the fatal Marriage Act took place.

This refers to the Act passed in 1754 (26 Geo. II., cap. 33, since repealed) to prevent clandestine marriages, and required the publication of banns, &c.

After the baptismal entries from January 6 to June 8, and again to August 10, 1760, is appended a note:—N.B. The persons were baptised by Mr. Ashton during his ministry, J. Whitaker, minister.

Further on is recorded:—"1783. The new Act commenced 1 Oct." This Act (23 Geo. III. cap. 67, since repealed) imposed a tax of threepence for each entry in the Register of a marriage, birth, christening, or burial.

During the time the Act for Burying in Woollen (30 Car. II., cap. 3, passed in 1679, amended by 32 Car. II., cap 1, and repealed in 1813 by 54 Geo. III., cap. 108) was in force, there are several entries which mention burials in greens, greenes or strewings, strewings, and strewn flowers.

People would not be forced to bury in woollen, and evaded the Act as much as possible to avoid the fines imposed if the body was buried in linen. The poet Herrick writes—

Fresh strewings allow
To my sepulchre now
To make my lodging the sweeter.

The following extracts from the old Register are from the copy contained in vol. 41 of the Owen MSS. The dates however are brought to the beginning of the line, places of residence, and christian names, and other parts, are also abbreviated, thus: B. stands for Bradford, D. for Droylsden, F. for Failsworth, M. for Manchester, N. for Newton, d. for daughter, s. for son, w. for wife, Jas. for James, Jonⁿ for Jonathan, &c.

All the marriages are extracted as they are not very numerous, but are most interesting for genealogical purposes.

MARRIAGES AT NEWTON (WITHOUT OMISSIONS).

[1682 ?] Jonathan Hall of Manchester and Margaret . . .
[of the ?] town aforsd.

- 1682, Apr. 30? [A]braham Bamford of Salford and Esther Neild of M., widow.
- [1682], June 1 John Clayton of Ashton par. and Elizth. Thorp of Failsworth.
- [1682], June 15 [Jam^s]es Lawton and Martha Chadderton both of Manch. parish.
- 1683, July . . Nathaniel Tetlow of Crumpsall and Sarah Taylor of Moston.
- 1684, July 24 John Hall of Droylsden and Mary Walker of Oldenshaw [Audenshaw].
- 1685, Oct. 9 John Heywood of Manch. and Martha L[eaver].
- 1685-6, Feb. . . Joseph Clegg of Newton and Hester Williamson.
- 1686, Apr. . . John Evans and Lydia Leech both of Manch. par.
- „ May . . Jas. Ashtall and Alice Glover both of Manch. par.
- „ Aug. . . Jas. Hope of Manch. par. and Jane Sandforth of Oldham par.
- 1687, May 16 Thos. Hadfield of Glossop, co. Derby, and . . . Booth of Mottram in co. Chester.
- „ June 28 John Kemp of Newton and Elizth. Cropper in Ashton par.
- 1687-8, feb. 26 Jas. Heap of Droylsden and Martha Handforth of Newton Moor in Mottram par.
- 1688, Ap. 15 Saml. Worthington and Esther Johnson both of this Par.
- „ Apr. 16 Thos. Berry and Sarah Bowker both of this Parish.
- „ Apr. 27 Jas. Bagguley of Newton and Alice Holland of Ashton-u-L.
- „ June 29 John Jackson and Mary Collins both of Newton township.
- „ Roger and Mary Somister both of
- „ Charles Disen
- [1688-9Feb.12 James Scott and Lydia Leech married at Newton Chappell ; Manch. Reg.]
- 1688-9, Mar. 5 Joseph Leech of

- 1689, Sept. 18 [Tho]mas of Yorkshire and Anne Wagstaffe. [On May 31, 1688, a child of Wm. Wagstaffe, Rector of Whiston, in Yorkshire, was baptised at Newton.]
- 1690, . . . 14 [and] Mary Grimshaw.
 . . . Sept. 16 Daniell Gaskell of Clifton and Sarah Partington.
- 1692, Joseph Clough and Ellen
 [Ja]mes Stanfield and Martha Newton.
 Davenport and
- 1693, Jas. Stock and Sarah Beswick.
- 1695, . . . 5 John Hulme and Martha Hughs both of Manch.
 par.
- 1696, Sept. 2 Geo. Lees and Hannah Whittaker both of Oldham,
 after banns at Prestwich, published by Jacob Scholes, curate there.
- „ . Dec. 29 Mr. John Scholes of Chadderton in Oldham par.
 and Margaret Jenkinson of Lime Ditch in failsworth.
- 1696-7, Jan. 14 James Taylor of Gorton and Martha Bancroft of Heaton.
- „ Feb. 4 Miles Neild and Sarah Walker of Manch.
- „ Feb. 16 Joseph Sandiforth and Alice Scholes both of Oldham par.
- „ and Martha Lawton both of . .
1699. Mar. 7 — Lees of Althill, par. Asht.-u-L. and [Ma]ry Tottlan [Tettlaw?] of Oldham par. by Thomas Lawton, curat.
- 1698, May 12 Thos. Kemp of N. and Mary Wagstaffe of Failsworth.
- „ „ 24 Edw^d Boardman and Mary Sandiforth both of Newton.
- 1698-9, Feb. 21 Wm. Wright, par. Asht.-u-L. and Sarah [White-] head, par. Oldham.
- 1699, Apr. 14 John Hill of Lothbury Lond., merch. and Joanna Gartside of Newton,

- 1699, Apr. 17 Jas. Marlor of Failsw. and Mary Arnfield of Dinting
par. Glossop, spinster.
- „ May 14 Saml. Matley and Ellin Ashworth both of
Manch. par.
- [Date gone] [Danie]l Pighells and Elizth. Lees both of par. N...
1701, [rest of entry gone.]
- [. . .] June 12 Wm. Walker of Manch. and Ann Scholes of
Chatterton, par. Prestwich.
- 1701, June 12 John Haigh, par. Halifax and Sarah Higgin-
bothom, par. Ashton-u-L.
- [. . .] Aug. 20 am Sharrock and Mary Ashe both of par.
Manch.
- 1701, Nov. 20 Mr. John Hartley and Bridget Ainsworth both
of Newton.
- 1702, Apr. 5 Thos. Gorton and Mary Whiteaker both of
Droylsden.
- [. . .] „ 7 [Jo]nathan Jackson and Sarah Tettlaw, both of
par. Manch.
- 170 . July 1 [S]amuel Tilsley and Hannah Boardman; the
one of Eccles, [the oth]er in Newton.
- 1703, Nov. 18 [M]atheu Grene of Manch. and Ann Maddock
of N.
- 17 . . Mar. 30 John Thorp of Manch. and Mary Boardman, dau.
of Robt. Boardman of N.
- — Oldham and Mary Walker
- by licence by Mr. Bo[lt]on].
- and Elizth. Wosencroft, ma[rried] by
licence by Mr. Bolton.
- . . . Jan. 27 [Jon]athan Wild and Sarah Baxter.
- . . . July . . [Thom]as Mercer of Manch. and Mary
of Manch.
- J Backhouse and Mary Gamble.
- . . . Nov. . . [Willia]m Bo[a]rdman and Mary Newton.
- 1707, Oct. 9 Abell and [both of] Ashton-u-
L. par.

- 1707, Jan. 28 James Roe and Sarah Burgess, both of Manch. par.
 of Gorton and
- 1710, Apr. 14 . . . d Wroe of Manch. and Mary Hobson of
 Fa[ilsworth].
- 1710, May 10 and
- 1710, May 18 Griffith Swinton, minister at Newton, and Mary
 Clough of M
 J Shirte and Elizth. Large, both of Manch.
 . . . July . . [Jo]hn Scarsbrick of L'pool and Catherine Brad-
 sh[aw of Man]chester.
- 1714, Oct. 21 Daniel Clough and Elizth. Cooch, both Man.
 [W]illiam Ogden of Prestw. par. and [M?]
 [St?]orer living in Failsworth.
- 1712, Jan. 1 Thos. Low and Althea Park, both of Ma . . .
- 1713, John Leese and Mary Thorp.
 [F]rancis Newton and Jane Bowker.
 . . . Apr. 17 Clough of Manch. and Eliz.
- 1715, . . . 21 and Boulton, both
- 1716, Sep. 14 Waltsh and Elizth. Jackson, both of
 Manch. par.
- 1716, Mar. 31 Thos. Clowe and Martha Orme, both of Manch.
 par.
- „ Apr. 12 Nathan Hall and Sarah Wood, both of Ashton-
 u-L. par.
- „ Oct. 2 Dan^l Ogden of Failsw. and Cath. Houghton of
 A.-u.-L.
- 1716-7, Mar. 7 Lawrence Eatough of Blackbourn par. and
 Hannah Shelton of Manch.
- 1716, Dec. 7 Francis Browne of Newton and Alice Whitaker
 of Clayton.
- 1716, Dec. 30 Edmund Travis and Lydia Rothwell.
- 1727, Sept. . . Ralph Potter and Elizth. . . [both?] of Oldham
 par.

BAPTISMS 1656-1720 (SELECTIONS ONLY).

IN a large majority of entries the place of residence of the parents is given simply as Newton, Failsworth, Moston, Droylsden, or Bradford. In very few is the locality more closely defined.

A few children from beyond the Chapelry District were baptised at Newton, some came from places near at hand, such as Hollinwood and Chadderton in Oldham Parish, some from Waterhouse, Woodhouses, Waterside, Hartshead, Smallshaw, and Little Moss in Ashton Parish, some from Huddershaw, Glossop, Withington, and some from Cheetham, Collyhurst, Crumpsall, Blackley, Harpurhey, Openshaw, Audenshaw, and Gorton. Cobster Hill, Northmore, Boregreen, and Beechen Bower are also named.

No doubt many children born within the Chapelry District were baptised elsewhere than at Newton or the mother Church at Manchester, thus from Failsworth children would be taken to Oldham, from Droylsden to Ashton or to Gorton, and at Gorton children from Kirkmanshulme would be often baptised. Children from Newton and Miles Platting now and then went to Blackley.

The Newton Register therefore must not be taken as at all exhaustive of Newtonian children. Many went to Manchester, where the Registers do not invariably distinguish from what part of the old extensive Parish of Manchester these infants came.

As the baptismal portion of the old Newton Register is even more dilapidated than the burial portion, those consulting it will do well to examine the burial portion, and *vice versa*, as one sometimes supplies the deficiency of the other.

The following entries are selected as being either more perfect and specific or more interesting, but the exact form of entry has not been adhered to.

1656, a daughter of John Walker, minister of Newton.

1667-8, Feb. 1, a child of James and Rachael Whittaker, yeoman, and a child of Thomas Andrews, yeoman.

1674, June, a child of John Cleg of Moston, bowker.

1688, Apr. 11, a son of John Clough of Oldfold in Newton.

„ May 31, a child of Wm. Wagstaffe, Rector of Whiston in Yorkshire.

[The father was probably a member of the family from which Wagstaffe Fold in Failsworth took its name.]

1688, Sept., a child of James Lees of Failsworth, smith.

1688, Oct. 13, Mary, dau. of Anthony Hyde of Monsal. [This is the first time Monsal is named in the Register.]

1689-90, Feb., — the son and grandson of John Ogden of Newton.

[After March . . 1692-3 is the blundering Latin entry:—*finis anno, 1692, William Coulborn, minister.*]

1693, May, Edward, son of Thos. Walker of Moston Hall, who had another son baptised in June, 1694.

Just before April, 1694, a child of Wm. Coulborn of Newton, Clerk, and in Aug., 1695, Henry, son of Wm. Coulborn, Clerk of Newton.

In January, 1694-5, a dau. of John Jackson of Newton, Clerk, and in Oct. 1697, a son of John Jackson, Clarke at Newton.

1695-6, Feb., Joshua, son of George Smith of Wrigley Head.

1696-7, Mar. 20, a son of John Hall o'th Clockhouse in Droylsden.

1697, April, a dau. of James Moores of Millhouses.

„ Oct., a son of Jas. Hall at Clayton Bridge, and a dau. of John Travis of Wrigley Head.

1698, Aug., Sarah, dau. of John Whitehead near Whitegate.

[This was probably Whitegate near White Moss in Chadderton, and not the house called Whitegate on Oldham Road.]

Sept., 1698, Jas. son of James Coop of Wrigley Head.

In 1707, a child of Titus Somister in Lime [Failsworth].

May, 1702, Joseph, son of John Lees i'th Waterhouses, and Edmd., son of John Nield at y^e bottom o'th Hollin.

Coupe, hatter, occurs in a mutilated entry in March, 1703.

Jan., 1706-7, Mary, d. to Peter Kelly, miller, Cleeton Mill.

Jan., 1707-8, Mary, dau. to Jas. Hall of [Clayton] Bridge End.

- June, 1709, Thos., son to Daniel Wod, smith, of Failsworth.
 Oct., 1709, John, son of Mr. Joseph Heywood, minister.
 July, 1710, — d. to Hump. Gratricks of Failsworth, bap. at meeting.
 Dec. 25, 1710, Sarah, dau. to Richd. Rothwell of Newton Lane.
 Jan. 10, 1710-1, — son to John Jackson of Milgate.
 Nov., 1711, — son to James Jackson of Newton, crofter.
 Sept., 1713, — — to John Clough of Monsal.
 Sept. 23, 1713, Mary, d. to Jacob Ogden, miller.
 Nov. 1713, James Sutton of Manchester bap. by order of —
 „ 25, „ Joseph, son to Thomas Leese, smith [Failsworth].
 Jan., 1713-4, Phillip, s. to Edwd. Walker of Bridge End, Droylsden.
 May, 1714, — son to George Crompton at Warden's House.
 Oct., 1714, Geo., son to Jas. Ogden of Bridge End, Newton.
 Dec., 1715, Jacob, son to Jacob Ogden, miller.
 April, 1716, — son to John Clough of y^e Holebottom.
 July 22, 1716, Martha, dau. to Thos. Rider of 4 houses in Newton.
- About 1720, the Registers begin to give the names of both father and mother, and to state the father's occupation. Out of thirty-three such entries, 8 are weavers, 9 websters, 2 linen-websters, 1 whitster, 1 feltmaker, 2 labourers, 1 husbandman, 1 butcher, 1 shoemaker, 1 carpenter, 1 tradesman, 1 spinster, and four are blank.
- The following instances of twins are recorded :
- 1657, Sept., John and Sara, children of George Worthington.
 1659, Oct. 5, Timothy and Titus, sons of Thos. Simister.
 1660, Sept., — and Marie, son and dau. of — Heywood.
 1675, Oct., Martha and Mary, twin daughters of John Cleg of Moston.
 1676, July, — and Martha, twin daus. of Robt. Kenyon of Moston.
 1679, Nov. 25, — and — children of Thos. Worrall of Moston.
 1680, Dec., Richd. and Thos., twin sons of Richd. Thorp of Newton.

- 1685, May, Timothy and Abigail, twins, childn. of Robt. Kenyon of Moston.
- 1686, — Thos. and Jos., twin sons of Daniel Gillibrand of Failsworth.
- Oct., 1689, James and John, twin sons of —
- Mar. 19, 1692-3, Jeremiah and Matthew, twins, sons of Saml. Clough, of Moston.
- Feb., 1694-5, — and Joseph, twin sons of Matthew Travis of Chaderton.
- Nov. 1706, Saml. and Marg^t, twins of Joshua Wrightson of Newton.
- Jan. 1708-9 a dau. of Edward Moors a twine.
- Aug. 10, 1716, Sarah and Mary, daughters to John Wirral of Oldham.
- 1717, — and Alice, son and dau. to Jas. Scholfield of Moston.
- July, 1718, Anne and Marg^t., dau^s to Jas. Fletcher of Newton.
- The later Registers record the following baptisms :—
- 1737, Nov. 4, baptized Betty, d. of Jas. Brown of Failsw. N.B.—This girl's grandmother, has a mother and grandmother now living.
- 1761, August 23, Miriam w. of Edwd. Whitehead of Failsworth, the consent of the Rt. Rev. the Ld. Bish. of Chester being previously obtained by me, John Whitaker.
- 1761, Aug. 30, Hannah w. of James Howarth of Failsw., the consent of the Ld. Bish. of Chester having been previously given to the Rev. J. Whitaker, by me P. Haddon.

The following summary of the baptismal entries between 1656 and 1700, will serve as a stockbook of the families living within the Chapelry District during that half century. The places of residences are stated on the Register in many cases, but are here omitted for the sake of brevity and uniformity.

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- Ardern**, Cath., d. of Mr. Ralph, 1688.
- Ashton** (Asheton), — 1667; d. of John, 1694; — of Thos., 1696; d. of John, 1698; — of — 1698; d. of Thos., 1698; s. of John, 1700; d. of John, 1700; — of Thos., 1700.
- Aspinal**, — of John, 1679; John, s. of John, 1681.
- B**AGULEY, d. of Jas., 1657; Hannah, d. of Mr. Jas., 1671; Robt. s. of Jas., 1675; d. of Jas., 1678; Adam, s. of Adam, 1681; — of Robt., 1693; Elizth., d. of Jas., 1694; — of Adam, 1696; Sarah, d. of Robt., 1697; d. of Robt., 1699.
- BAILEY** (Bealey).
- BANCROFT**, John, s. of Rich., 1656; Jos., s. of Rob., 1675; John, s. of Robt., 1675; s. of Robt., 1679; s. of Robt., 1683.
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- Bardsley** (BARSLEY), Abm., s. of Jas., 1656; s. of Jas., 1662; Thos., s. of Thos., 1676; Sarah, d. of Robt., 1681; d. of Robt., 1683; Martha, d. of Robt., 1686; d. of Robt., 1687; s. of Danl., 1696; — of Robt., 1699.
- Barker**, Mary, d. of James, 1694; d. of James, 1698.
- BARLOW**, Jas., s. of Thos., 1684; John, s. of Thos., 1687; s. of Thos., 1690.
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- BAXTER**, s. of John, 1656; Timothy, s. of John, 1681; d. of John, jun., 1682; — of Rich., 1693; Timothy, s. of Tim., 1695.
- BEALEY** (Bailey), s. of John, 1679.
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- Berky** (Burkitt), — of Joseph, 1688; — of Jos., 1690; d. of Jos., 1700.
- BESWICK** (Bexwick, Busick), Sarah, d. of Jas., 1665; Hannah, d. of Joseph, 1665; Lydia, d. of Jas., 1669; d. of Thos., 1670; Rob., s. of Thos., 1675; Saml., s. of Thos., 1681; d. of Thos., 1687; s. of Saml., 1688; Susannah, d. of Mr. Francis, 1688; — of —, 1689; s. of Ma . . , 1693; d. of Rachel, 1700.
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- BEXWICK**, *see* Beswick.
- BIRCH**, d. of Saml., 1660; George, s. of Thos., 1667.
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- BLOMELY** (Blüm, Bromley), John, s. of Robt., 1677; d. of Robt., 1683; John, s. of Rich., 1686; Rich., s. of Rich., 1687; Sarah, d. of Robt., 1689; s. of Robt., 1697.
- Blüm**, *see* Blomely.
- BOARDMAN**, d. of Giles, 1656; s. of Edmd., 1658; d. of Edmd., 1666; — of Robt., 1669; d. of Robt., 1674; Elizth., d. of Edwd., 1675; Esther, d. of John, 1676; John, s. of Thos., 1676; Robt., s. of Robt., 1677; d. of Edwd., 1678; d. of John, 1679; Rich., s. of John, 1680; Hannah, d. of Edwd., 1681; Rich., s. of Robt., 1681; Margt., d. of John, 1681; s. of John, 1681; s. of John, 1682; — of Robt., 1683; d. of John, 1684; — of Robt., 1684; — of —, 1684; Martha, d. of Edwd., 1684; Anna, d. of John, 1685; Sarah, d. of John, 1685; Saml., s. of Robt., 1685; d. of Robt., 1687; — of John, 1688; Adam, s. of Adam, 1689; Mary, d. of

¹ Owing to the imperfect and fragmentary state of the oldest part of the Newton Register many of the dates are only guesses or approximations, and in large numbers of entries the part giving the Christian name of the child, and even its sex has gone; for this reason, and because the publication *in extenso* will very likely be undertaken by the Lanc^e Par. Reg. Soc., this Summary only is given.

- John, 1689; Robt., s. of Robt., 1689; — of John, 1690; — of —, 1692; — of Rich., 1693; d. of Edwd, 1698.
- BOOKER (Bowker), John, s. of Thos., 1684; Mary, d. of Thos., 1686; s. of Thos., 1690.
- BOOTH, s. of Edwd., 1660; Mary, d. of Edwd., 1662; — of Jonah, 1676; Anna, d. of Jonah, 1681; Jon^a, s. of Jon^a, 1681; s. of John, 1682; — of Jon^a, 1683; — of Jonah, 1683; d. of John, 1684; s. of John, 1687; d. of John, 1699.
- BOWKER (Booker), s. of Thos., 1657.
- Broadbent, Hannah, d. of John, 1698; s. of John, 1700.
- Bromeley (Blomeley), d. of Robt., 1695.
- Brooke (Brooks), d. of Thos., 1674; John, s. of George, 1699.
- Browne, s. of Thos., 1700.
- Buerdsall (Beurdsell), Wm. s. of —, 1660; s. of John, 1666; Thos., s. of John, 1670.
- Burgess, Sarah, d. of Richd., 1680; Elizth., d. of Rich., 1685; s. of Rich., 1687.
- Burkitt (Berky), Benj., s. of Jos., 1684; — of —, 1689.
- Bury (Burie, Berry), d. of Thos., 1656; d. of Thos., 1658; Jas., s. of Thos., 1662; Jas., s. of Ralph, 1671; d. of Ralph, 1674; Mary, d. of Ralph, 1677; Anne, d. of Jeremy, 1677; Joseph, s. of Ralph, 1684; Elizth., d. of Jeremy, 1689; — of Sarah, 1700; s. of John, 1700.
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- Butterworth, Jas., s. of Jon^a, 1675; John, s. of Jon^a, 1680; d. of Jon^a, 1683; Mary, d. of Jon^a, 1685.
- Byron, s. of Jas., 1698.
- CAWDALL (Cowdall), — of Richd., 1679; d. of Rich., 1690; Aaron, s. of Richd., 1693.
- Chadderton (Chatterton), John, s. of Edmd., 1657; — of —, 1672; d. of —, 1678; Ann, d. of John, 1685; Mary, d. of Robt., 1688; d. of John, 1699.
- Charnock, d. of Edwd., 1666; Hannah, d. of Edwd., 1669; — of Edwd., 1673.
- Chetham, d. of Mr. Wm., 1670; — of Wm., 1674; — of Wm., 1676; Mary, d. of Mr. Wm., 1676; Mary, d. of John, 1689; s. of Jos., 1697.
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- CLARKSON, Ralph, s. of John, 1685; John, s. of John, 1687; Jas., s. of John, 1692.
- CLAYTON, — of Danl., 1660; d. of Danl., 1668; — of Richd., 1672; d. of Danl., 1673; Martha and Mary, twins of John, 1675; Danl., s. of Danl., 1675.
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- Coulborn, — of Wm., clk., 1693; Hy., s. of Wm., clk., 1695.
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- Cratchley (Crouchley), s. of Ralph, 1666; Jos., s. of Ralph, 1669; — of — 1672.
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{ Gredil, s. of Wm., 1700.

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 KAY (KEY), d. of John, 1684; Sarah, d. of John, 1686; Ann, d. of Thos., 1687; s. of John, 1690.
 KEMPE, Hy., s. of Hy., 1657; Hy., s. of Hy., 1665; — of Hy., 1667; s. of Jeremy, 1670; d. of Jeremy, 1674; — of —, 1675; s. of Jas., 1675; Thos., s. of Thos., 1676; John, s. of Jas., 1677; s. of Thos., 1678; Sarah, d. of Thos., 1680; Jeremy, s. of Daniel, 1680; John, s. of Thos., 1684; — of —, 1689; — of Thos., 1690; — of Thos., 1690; Mary, d. of Thos., 1692; Sarah, d. of Randle, 1700.
 KENYON (Kenion), s. of John, 1660; John, s. of John, 1660; d. of John, 1660; Mary, d. of John, 1664; Sarah, d. of John, 1665; Cath., d. of Richd., 1666; s. of Robt., 1667; d. of Josh., 1668; d. of John, 1668; s. of John, 1668; — of Josh., 1672; — of John, 1673; — of John, 1674; — of Robt., 1676; Martha, d. of Robt., 1676; Mary, d. of John, 1677; d. of John, 1679; Abigail, d. of John, 1681; Sarah, d. of John, 1681; — of John, 1683; Timothy and Abigail, twins of Robt., 1685; Sarah, d. of John, 1685.
 Key, *see* Kay.
 Knott, d. of Saml., 1658; d. of Danl., 1698.
 Knowls, — of Jeremy, 1676.
 LAWTON, s. of Gervase, 1683; Lydia, d. of Gervase, 1684; Jane, d. of Gervase, 1689.
 Lancashire (Lancaster), — of John, 1683.
 Lancaster (Lancashire), John, s. of John, 1685; Mary, d. of John, 1686.
 LEECH, s. of Danl., 1668; Danl., s. of Jas., 1671; d. of Dan., 1674; Elizth., d. of Danl., 1676; d. of Dan., 1678; Margt., d. of Thos., 1680; Rich., s. of Dan., 1680; d. of Danl., 1683; — of

- Thos., 1684; Saml., s. of Mr. Saml., 1685; Deborah, d. of Danl., 1685; John, s. of Mr. Saml., 1687; Mary, d. of Danl., 1688; d. of Edmd., 1692; Jas., s. of Robt., 1692; d. of Danl., 1693; Lydia, d. of Jonⁿ, 1695; s. of Robt., 1695; s. of Edmd., 1695; d. of Jonⁿ, 1696; Elizth., d. of Robt., 1677; d. of Jonⁿ, 1698; d. of John, 1699.
- LEES, s. of John, 1656; d. of Jas., 1667; — 1667; Susanna, d. of Jas., 1670; — of —, 1674; Jonⁿ, s. of John, 1675; s. of Geo., 1679; Martha, d. of Jas., 1680; d. of Jas., 1683; d. of Jas., 1687; Jas., s. of James, 1688; — of John, 1695; d. of Geo., 1695; d. of Edmd., 1698; s. of John, 1698.
- Linney, Mary, d. of John, 1695.
- Li . . . Lydia, d. of John, 1686.
- LINGARD (Lingot), d. of Thos., 1692; Peter, s. of Thos., 1700.
- Lightbown, Elizth., d. of John, 1693; John, s. of John, 1695; d. of John, 1697.
- LLOYD, *see* Loyd.
- Lomax, Nich., s. of Nich., 1698.
- LORT, d. of Jas., 1666; Jas., s. of Jas., 1672; d. of Jas., 1676; Alice, d. of Jas., 1681.
- LOW (LOE), Jas., s. of Richd., 1675; Jane, d. of Richd., 1677; s. of Richd., 1679; Richd., s. of Richd., 1681.
- LOYD, Gamaliel, s. of Geo., 1675.
- MAKIN (MEAKIN), — of Sam. and Lydia, 1667; Martha, d. of John, 1669; — of John, 1669; d. of John, 1673; — of John, 1676; s. of John, 1679; Nathan., s. of Nathan., 1681; d. of Jas., 1682; — of Nathan., 1684; Jas., s. of Jas., 1686.
- Manrive (Maurice? Morris?), s. of Jas., 1697.
- Marler (Marlor), Sarah, d. of John, 1660; Jas., s. of John (bap. Coll. Ch.), 1664; — of R., 1667; — of John, 1672; d. of Jacob, 1700.
- Marland, s. of Jacob, 1697.
- Matley, Jos., s. of Saml., 1681; John, s. of Saml., 1685; d. of Saml., 1687; d. of Saml., 1694.
- Mather, s. of Thos., 1697.
- Meakin, *see* Makin.
- Mills, d. of Rich., 1670; Rich., s. of Rich., 1674; Rich., s. of Rich., 1676; — of —, 1679; Ellen, d. of Rich., 1684; d. of Rich., 1690; Ann, d. of Rich., 1694.
- Moore (Moors), Josh., s. of Edw., 1667; Jas., s. of Jabez, 1671; d. of Jas., 1697; s. of Jas., 1698; d. of Jas., 1700; s. of Jabez, 1699.
- Morris, (Moris, Manrive?), s. of John, 1658; Elizth., d. of Jas., 1698.
- Moss, John, s. of John, 1665; Josiah, s. of Jeremy, 1675; Hannah, d. of Jos., 1692.
- NAYLOR, d. of Jas., 1679; Jacob, s. of Jas., 1681.
- Newton, — of John, 1698.
- Nicholls, d. of John, 1666.
- Nield, Mary, d. of Luke, 1687.
- Norbury, John, s. of Robt. and Anne, 1667.
- OGDEN, Ruth, d. of Thos., 1656; — of —, 1676; — of Jas., 1676; Thos., s. of John, 1685; d. of John, 1687; — of Isaac, 1688; s. of John, 1689; s. of Jacob, 1695; d. of John, 1696; s. of Robt., 1697; s. of James, 1697; d. of Richd., 1699.
- Oldham (Ouldame), Ruth, d. of John, 1657.
- Orrett, John, s. of John, 1686.
- PENDLETON, d. of John, 1683; Mary, d. of John, 1685; d. of John, 1690; d. of Abrah., 1695; — of —, 1699.
- Plant, — of Wm., 1688.
- Pollitt, Rich., s. of Thos., 1662; s. of Jas., 1698; d. of Jas., 1699.
- Prestwich, d. of Thos., 1690.
- RADLEY (Rodley), Isabel, d. of Joshua, 1675.
- Radcliffe, — of John, 1698.
- Ramsden, — of Jonⁿ, 1676; s. of Jonⁿ, 1690.
- Ransley (Renstey, Renshaw?) Saml., s. of Saml., 1689.
- Reed (Ridd), — of Thos., 1679; d. of Thos., 1683.
- Renstey (Rensley, Renshaw?) Phebe, d. of Saml., 1685.
- Richardson, — of —, 1675.
- Ridd (Reed), s. of Thos., 1698.
- Rider, *see* Ryder.
- Ridgway, d. of Jos., 1683.
- Rie, d. of Thos., 1697.
- Rixon, John, s. of Robt., 1657.
- Robinson, Mary, d. of Robt., 1665; s. of Robt., 1679; s. of John, 1679; d. of John, 1699; s. of Robt., 1700.

Rodley, *see* Radley.

Roe, *see* Wroe.

Rothwell, Richd., s. of Rich, 1677; Jon^a, s. of Rich., 1685; s. of Rich., 1687; — of —, 1690; d. of Rich., 1693; — of Richd., junr., 1699.

Rowe, *see* Wroe.

Royton, Jas., s. of Robt., 1657; s. of Robt., 1659.

Ryder, Rider, d. of Nich., 1658; d. of Jos., 1662; Edm., s. of Nich. (bap. Coll. Ch.), 1664; — of Sarah, 1667. Rye, *see* Rie.

SANDFORD, —, 1667.

SANDIFORTH, s. of Jas., 1666; Wm., s. of Ralph, 1677; d. of John, 1679; — of —, 1693.

Scamlett, s. of Wm., 1699.

SCHOFIELD (SCHOLFELD, Scofield), — of —, junr., 1668; Math., s. of Jas., 1675; s. of Mary, 1676; — of —, 1678; Alice, d. of Jas., 1681; Jane, d. of Jas., 1685; — of Jas., 1688; s. of Jas., 1693; d. of Jas., 1694; s. of James, 1700.

SCOTT, d. of Danl., 1683; Mary, d. of Ann, widow, 1684; s. of Saml., 1692; d. of Saml., 1694; s. of Saml., 1696; Saml., s. of Saml., 1699.

SEDDON, s. of Thos., 1700; s. of Geo., 1700.

Sh—, Jane, d. of Hy., 1665.

SHACKLOCK, — of Edwd., 1660.

SHARD, Mary, d. of John, 1662.

SHARPLES, Mary, d. of Thos., 1681; Elizth., d. of John, 1685; s. of John, 1686; Rich., s. of Thos., 1687; John, . of Edw., 1687; s. of John, 1692; Thos., s. of Thos., 1695; d. of Edwd., 1695; s. of Thos., 1697; — of —, 1698.

SHARROCK (SHARROCKS), d. of John, 1662; John, s. of Wm., 1676; Edwd., s. of Wm., 1689.

SHAW, — of —, 1656.

SHEPLEY, Jona, s. of John, 1657; d. of Danl., 1673; d. of Ralph, 1694; d. of Ralph, 1697.

Shuttleworth, — of —, 1692.

SIDEBOTHAM, d. of Robt., 1660; — of Robt., 1679; Thos., s. of Jas., 1686; — of —, 1693.

SIDALL (SYDDALL), Jos., s. of Jas., 1657; —, 1667; Mary, d. of Thos., 1675; Mary, d. of Jas., 1685; — of Jas., 1690; s. of Jas., 1696.

SIMISTER (Somister, Sumister), Timothy and Titus, ss. of Thos., 1659; d. of Thos., 1690; Thos., s. of Thos., 1694; Elizth., d. of Titus, 1695; d. of Thos., 1700.

SINGLETON, Thos., s. of Thos., 1685.

Slater, s. of Wm., 1698.

SMITH (SMYTHE), Jas., s. of Elizth., 1657; Mary, d. of John, 1659; Edwd., s. of Edwd., 1662; —, 1667; d. of Edwd., 1667; Mary, d. of Jas., 1675; Rebecca, d. of Edwd., 1677; Saml., s. of Saml., 1677; Hannah, d. of Ralph, jun., 1677; Alice, d. of Ralph, jun., 1681; Silvanus, s. of Edwd., 1681; — of Raph., sen., 1683; — of Geo., 1683; Anne, d. of Geo., 1685; d. of Geo., 1687; d. of Alexr., 1688; Mary, d. of John, 1688; s. of Saml., 1689; — of Saml., 1690; — of Geo., 1693; s. of John, 1694; Joshua, s. of Geo., 1695; s. of Danl., 1699; s. of Danl., 1700.

Somister, *see* Simister.

Stanley (Standley), d. of Robt., 1659; Elizth., d. of John, 1700.

Stansfield, — of John, 1676; d. of John, 1683; John, s. of John, 1687; Hannah, d. of John, 1689.

Stock, — of John, 1672; — of Jas., 1693.

Stott, s. of John, 1670.

Sumister, *see* Simister.

Sutcliffe, Hannah, d. of Saml., 1677; — of Saml., 1679.

Swaine, Jane, d. of John, 1656; d. of Jas., 1690.

Syddall, *see* Sidall.

TAYLOR (Tealor, Telior), Sara, d. of Abm., 1659; d. of Jas., 1660; Anne, d. of Abm., 1660; — of Alice, 1667; Hannah, d. of John, 1670; Sarah, d. of Jas., 1676; Martha, d. of Nathl., 1676; Saml., s. of Saml., 1681; d. of Jos., 1683; John, s. of Nathl., 1685; s. of Jas., 1697; Elizth., d. of John, 1697; s. of Jas., 1699; — of Edmd., 1699.

Tealor, Telior, *see* Taylor.

Tetlow (Titlay), d. of Isaac, 1656; — of John, 1673; Ann, d. of John, 1685; d. of Hy., jun., 1700.

Thornley, d. of Robt., 1695; s. of Robt., 1697; d. of Robt., 1700; — of Robt., 1699.

THORPE, s. of Jos., 1656; Susannah, d. of Jas., 1657; Ann, d. of Thos., 1659; Elizth., d. of Joshua, 1659; s. of Jas., 1659; s. of John, 1659; Joseph, s. of

- Jas., 1660; Alice, d. of Thos., 1660; d. of Thos., 1666; — of Jas., 1667; Elizth., d. of Jas., 1669; Jos., s. of John, 1671; Richd. and Thos., twins of Richd., 1680; — of Thos., 1683; s. of John, 1683; d. of David, 1683; d. of Richd., 1684; Hannah, d. of John, 1685; John, s. of Thos., 1685; John, s. of Richd., 1685; Anna, d. of Thos., 1686; Benj., s. of David, 1687; James, s. of John, 1687; d. of Thos., 1687; Joseph, s. of Thos., 1689; George, s. of Thos., 1689; s. of Richd., 1690; — of —, 1690; Richd., s. of John, 1694; — of Thos., 1695; d. of Thos., 1698; Elizth., d. of Joseph, 1700.
- TILSLEY (TILDESLEY), Edwd., s. of Thos., 1671; d. of Thos., 1679; Esther, d. of Thos., 1686.
- Titlay, *see* Tetlow.
- TOMLINSON, Mary, d. of Geo., 1681; John, s. of Geo., 1686; Mary, d. of Jas., 1692; — of Jas., 1695.
- Tonge, — of Wm. and Susanna, 1667; d. of Peter, 1688.
- Townley, John, s. of Geo., 1671; d. of Geo., 1674; d. of Geo., 1676.
- TRAVIS, John, s. of John, 1686; Mary, d. of Jas., 1687; s. of John, 1687; d. of Jas., 1693; d. of John, 1694; Jos., s. of Math., 1694; d. of Jas., 1696; d. of John, 1697; Hannah, d. of Jas., 1699; Saml., s. of John, 1700.
- Turner, d. of Danl., 1674; Lydia, d. of Danl., 1689; s. of Saml., 1697.
- Tyldesley, *see* Tilsley.
- VALENTINE, Margt., d. of Richd., 1677.
- WAGSTAFF, — of Wm., Rector of Whiston, co. York, 1688.
- WALKER, d. of John, 1656; d. of Rich., 1658; Anne, d. of John, 1660; d. of Rich., 1660; Peter, s. of John, 1662; Thos., s. of Rich., 1662; — of Richd., 1666; d. of Wm., 1684; d. of Wm., 1690; Edwd., s. of Thos., 1693; s. of Thos., 1694.
- Walwork (Walworth), Mary, d. of Jas., 1662; Thos., s. of Wm., 1693; d. of Wm., 1697; d. of Wm., 1699.
- Walworth (Walwork), John, s. of Wm., 1694.
- Wardlow, — of Ralph, 1675.
- Whitworth, Abigail, d. of Jos., 1685; s. of Jos., 1693; d. of Rich., 1695; d. of Jos., 1699.
- Whitaker, d. of Jane, 1658; — of Jas. and Rachel, 1667; Ann, d. of Robt., 1680; John, s. of Abrahm., 1692; — of Jonⁿ, 1697; — of Abrahm., 1698; d. of Wm., 1699; Mary, d. of Abrahm., 1700.
- Whitehead, d. of John, 1673; Sarah, d. of John, 1698; John, s. of Thos., 1698; Mary, d. of Simeon, 1699; — of Jas., 1700; s. of Wm., 1700.
- Whittle, Sarah, d. of John and Hannah, 1667.
- WILD (Wylde), Mary, d. of Rich., 1659; Saml., s. of Danl., 1669; — of Danl., 1672; Joshua, s. of Danl., 1676; d. of John, 1695; s. of Sarah, 1699; — of Jonⁿ, 1699.
- Wilcoxon, s. of John, 1674; Jonⁿ, s. of John, 1675.
- Worrall, — of Thos., 1679; Anne, d. of Thos., 1681; Otiwell, s. of Geo., 1681; d. of Thos., 1684; Geo., s. of Geo., 1685; — of Thos., 1685; George, s. of Thos., 1687; d. of Thos., 1690; d. of Lydia, 1698; d. of Thos., 1699.
- Wolfenden, — of Jas., 1678; Sarah, d. of Jas., 1680; — of —, 1684; — of Jas., 1688.
- WOLSTENCROFT (Woosencroft), Robt., s. of John, 1659; d. of Nich., 1659; Susanna, d. of John, 1662; Jas., s. of Jas., 1677; s. of Danl., 1689; d. of Jas., 1698.
- Woosencroft, *see* Wolstencroft.
- Worsley, Hannah, d. of Geo., 1671; Jonⁿ, s. of John, 1671; d. of John, 1674.
- WORTHINGTON, John and Sarah, s. and d. of Geo., 1657; s. of Nich., 1658; Alice, d. of John, 1670; s. of Nich., 1672; d. of John, 1674; — of Jos., 1676; Ralph, s. of Joseph, 1680; d. of Jos., 1684; Saml., s. of Danl., 1685; Elizth., d. of Jos., 1686; Theophilus, s. of Danl., 1687; d. of John, 1697.
- Wright, John, s. of John, 1656; s. of John, 1659; Jonⁿ, s. of Robt., 1686; d. of Randle, 1695; Saml., s. of John, 1696.
- Wrightson, Sarah, d. of Joshua, 1697; s. of Joshua, 1698; d. of Joshua, 1700.
- Wroe (Roe), Jas., s. of Edwd., 1659; s. of Richd., 1660; d. of John, 1662; — of Edwd., 1672.
- Wyatt, — of John, 1679; — of John, 1690; — of —, 1694.
- Wylde, *see* Wild.

BURIALS AT NEWTON (SELECTIONS ONLY).

The dilapidated Register of burials begins in 1678, and contains the following more notable entries.

The earlier entries are in this form: [1678,—], 4, Thomas Kempe, of Newton maketh oath before John Hartley, justice, y^t Randle Kempe late of Newton was interred at Newton [in] Woollen only. Tho. Lawton [Minister at Newton].

1679, Mar. 31, Francis Chetham, son of Wm. Chetham. [The baptismal Register records children (whose names and sex have disappeared) of Wm. Chetham baptised in 1674 and 1676, besides two daughters in 1670 and 1676.]

1687–8, Mar. 1, Thos. Lawton, M^r [minister] of Newton.

1688, Sept. 15, Joseph, son to Peter Walker of London.

1691, May 18, —, wife of Joseph Clegg of Newton; information made of burying in linen.

1692 [April], — Oldbotts of Newton.

1694–5, Feb. 2, —, father to John Jackson, clerk.

1694–5, March —, Ann, — of Thomas Worral of Newton. [Signed] Will. Coulborn at Newton [followed by the next item.]

1695, July 4, Mary Hilton of Kirkmanshulme, buried at Birch Chappel, but affidavit hither.

1695, Aug. 30, Henry and Elizabeth, children of James Baggiley of Newton.

1695, Sept. 1, — son of James Baggiley of Newton.

1695, Oct. —, Henry, son of Will. Coulborn, clerk of Newton.

1696, July 6, Geo. Hulton, father-in-law to John Clough of Failsworth.

1696, Nov. 27, Elizth., dau. of John Clough of Failsworth.

1697, Oct. 30, John Jackson, Clarke of Newton.¹

1697–8, Jan. 17, — — of Mary Hardman in Moston; [affidavit] made by Mary Clegge of Moston y^t he was bur. in greenes or strewn [with flowers, over the winding sheet, without coffin.]

¹ Compare entry, *post*, 1711, Nov. 22, and May 23, 1716. See also p. 78.

- 1697-8, Jan. 2., —, y^e wife of Wm. Howorth of Hilltop in Newton, bur. in no material prohibited by Parliament.
- 1697-8, Feb. . . , —, dau. of John Travis of Wrigley Head ; aff. by Sarah Howorth of Failsworth that she was bur. in greenes.
- 1697-8, Mar. 8, —s, son of Thomas Kemp of fourehouses.
- 1698, Oct. 8, John, son of Mr. Matley, Schoolmaster ; oath by y^e wife of Jeremiah Bury in Newton [that he was bur.] in greenes or strewings.
- 1698, Nov. 20, —, wife of Saml. Matley of Failsworth ; oath by Abigail Boardman of fourehouses in Newton.
- 1699, —, —, — Hulton at Millhouses.
- 1699, June . . , Thomas, son of Jonas Booth ith fourehouses.
- 1700, June 7, John, son of James Hall at Clayton Bridge.
- 1704, Sep. 11 [James Lawt]on, Minister of Newton, bur. at Oldham.¹
- 1704, Oct. 25, Jonathan, son to Mr. Samuel Leech, Clerk.
- 1704-5, Mar. 24, James, son to James Hall of Newton Bridgend.
- 1707, Apr. 14, — Kenyon of Lime in Ashton parish.
- 1707-8, Feb. 8, Christopher Wrightson of Moston, bur. at Manchester.
- 1709, May 12, Bridgett, wife to Mr. Swinton, minist^r at Newton.
- 1709, June 4, — a poor child apprentice wth Geo. Townley.
- 1709, June 14, Thos. Jolly, son to Mrs. Leech of Newton.
- 1709, Aug. 14, Roger, son of Abigaile Kenyon of Lime.
- 1709-10, Mar. 6, Margt., wife to Richd. Burgess of Millhouses.
- 1711, May 1, Edward Ogden of Moston, "old Yeddy."
- 1711, Nov. 22, James, son to John Jackson, clark at Newton.²
- 1711-2, Feb. —, — Line, apprentice with John Partington.
- 1715, Ap. 25, Sarah, d. of Martha Heap of Dob lane.
- 1715-6, Jan. 17, Mary, dau. of John Clough of Holebottom, Failsworth.

¹ The Oldham Reg. contains the entry: Sept. 4, 1702, Mr. James Lawton, minister of Newton Chappell.

² Ccmpare entry 1697, Oct. 30. See also page 78.

1716 (?), May 23, — Jackson of Newton, clerk. [See Oct. 30, 1697.]

1722, Apr. —, Sarah, wife of Jonathan Wild, Innkeeper, Fails-worth.

[From this time the entries state the occupations, weavers, websters, and linen weavers largely predominating, with a few whitsters, feltmakers, and flaxdressers].

1722, Oct. 10, Rose, dau. of John Boardman of Failsworth, inn-keeper, and Mary his wife.

1725, Oct. 17, Richd. Fletcher of Failsworth, coal carryer.

1725, Oct. 14, James Lees of Failsworth, blacksmith.

1726, July 26, — dau. of John Leese of Failsworth, farrier.

The last entry in this fragmentary Register of burials is on March 7, 1727-8, Martha, dau. of John Rhodes of Newton.

Besides the foregoing, the Registers contain the following of apparently adult¹ persons, limited to those resident in Newton, Failsworth, or Bradford.

1678, — —, Randle Kempe of Newton.

1679, Apr. 2, Henry Pendleton.

1679, — —, James Hulme, Schoolmaster.

1685, Nov., Alice, wife of John Jackson of Newton.

1688, Aug. 2, Joan Holt of Newton, widow.

1688, Aug. 8, John Kenion, sen. [of Failsworth].

1688, Dec. 3, John Robinson.

1689 [Dec. ?] —, wife to Ralph Bury of Newton.

1689, — Ann Lort of F.

1689-90, Mar. —, Elizth. Kay of Newton.

1690, Apr. 8, Joseph Ridgway of Failsworth.

1690, Apr. 26, William Baguley.

1691, Mar. 27, Jane Boardman of Newton.

1691, Dec. 5, John Harrison of Newton.

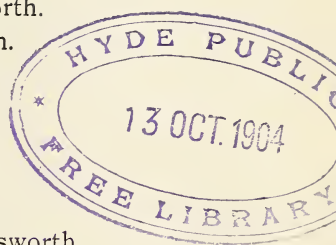
1691-2, Feb. 12, Sarah Chadwick, widow.

1692, Mar. 27, John Woosencroft of Failsworth.

¹ In most of the omitted entries the deceased is described as "son" or "daughter," and therefore presumably a minor, of little genealogical importance.

- 1693, June 15, Samuel Hulme of Failsworth.
1693, July 16, — Jackson, widow, of Newton.
1693, Aug. —, Richd. Andrew of Newton.
1693, Oct. 28, Elizth. Jenkinson of Failsworth.
1693-4, May 23, Mary Hollingworth of Newton.
1694, June 19, Josiah Marler.
1694, Dec. 15, John Marler of Failsworth.
1695, Sep. 14, Sarah, wife of Thomas Kemp.
1695, Oct. 24, Benjamin Siddall of Newton.
1696, Ap. 10, Margaret, wife to Joseph Kenyon.
1698, Apr. 22, Edward Charnock of Bradford.
1698, May 12, John Thorpe of Failsworth.
1698, June 1, — Robinson, a widow in Bradford.
1699, Aug. —, Widow Matley of Newton.
1699, Sep. 30, John Newton of Failsworth.
1699, Oct. 24, Widow Smethurst of y^e Holebottom in Failsworth.
1699, Nov. —, Joseph Heape in Failsworth, Batchelour.
1700, June 3, Jeremiah Kemp of Newton.
1700, July —, Alice Royle in Failsworth.
1700, — —, Samuel Smith in Failsworth.
1700, — —, Alice, wife of Thos. Wolsencroft.
1701, July, Nicholas Hartley in Failsworth.
1702, May 8, — Jones widow in Newton.
1702, July 9, Elizth. Baggiley widow in Newton.
1702, Sep. 15, — wife of Robt. Baguley of Newton.
1703, Aug. [Esther wife] to James Wofenden late of Failsworth.
1703, Sept. —, wife to George Townley of Newton, Senr.
1704, Aug. 30, Hannah, wife to John Leese of Newton.
1704, Sep. 7, Sarah, wife to John Holt of Newton.
1704-5, Mar. 23, Ann, wife of Joseph Shepley of Newton.
1705, Mar. 30, Mary Lamskin, of Newton, widow.
1705, June 3, Raph [Barlow?] of Newton.
1705, July 25, Geo. Smith of Failsworth.
1706, Dec. —, Martha, wife to Thos. Fletcher of Newton.
1706-7, Jan. 8, —, wife to Peter Holland of Bradford.

- 1707, April —, —, wife to John Chatherton of Failsworth.
1707, July 9, Frances, wife to John Johnson of Newton.
1707, July 25, Mary Knott of Failsworth.
1707, Aug. 13, John Baxter of Failsworth.
1707, Sep. —, Ann, wife to James Lort of Failsworth.
1707, Dec. —, — Newton, widow, of Failsworth.
1707, Dec. 25, Peter Hall of Bradford.
1707-8, Feb. —, Alice, wife to John Pendleton of Failsworth.
1709, May 12, Bridgett, wife to Mr. Swinton, minist^r at Newton.
1709, May 23, [Ad]am Smith of Failsworth.
1709, Sept. 8, Mary Taylor of Newton.
1709-10, Mar. 6, Margaret, wife to Richard Burgess of Millhouses.
Mar. 14, Mary Kemp of Failsworth.
1710, April 15, John Booth of Failsworth.
1710, Nov. —, [John?] Borrton of Failsworth.
1710, Nov. —, — Baguley of Newton, widow.
1710-1, Mar. 21, Ann, wife to Nich. Worthington, late of Failsworth.
1711, Apr. —, Jas. Ryder from Jas. Townley in Newton.
1711, July 1, John Pendleton of Failsworth.
Aug. 2, Sarah Howorth of Failsworth.
Aug. 30, Mary, wife to John Leech, of Failsworth.
Dec. 10, Jane Joans of Failsworth.
1712, Nov. 29, —, wife to Jeremy Bury of Newton.
1712, Dec. 19, —, wife to Thos. Armstriding of Failsworth.
1712-3, Feb. 11, —, wife to Henry Holt of Newton.
1713, Ap. —, Alice, wife to John Thorp, late of Failsworth.
1713, May 20, Hannah, wife to James Stock of Newton.
1714-5, Mar. 16, Peter Holland of Bradford.
1715, Apr. —, Martha, wife to John Stansfield of Failsworth.
1715, Oct. 29, Mary Clarkson of Newton.
1715, Dec. 24, Richd. Clayton of Failsworth.
1716, Mar. 26, John Orridge of Newton.
Apr. 1, Mary Hulme of Failsworth.
Apr. 12, Sarah, wife to John Hickson of Failsworth.



- 1716, Apr. 18, Henry Crossley of Bradford.
1716 (?), Aug. 19, Martha Wrightson, widow of Newton.
1716 (?), Nov. 6, George Bagshaw of Newton.
1717-8, Mar. 24, James Cudworth of Newton.
1718, Apr. —, Richd. Johnson of Newton.
 May 5, William Slater of Newton.
 May 13, Martha Dowley of Failsworth.
 May 2 . , Mary Taylor, widow, of Failsworth.
1718, June 6. Joseph Whitworth of Failsworth.
 July 25, Mary Jackson, widow, of Newton.
1718-9, Jan. —, James Stock of Failsworth.
 Jan. —, Susan, wife of James Rhodes of Failsworth.
 Jan. —, Samuel Knot of Failsworth.
 Feb. —, James Johnson of Newton.
 Mar. —, Jane Kenion of Newton.
 Mar. —, Hannah, wife to James Townley of Newton.
1719, Sep. 21, Mary Whitehead of Failsworth.
1720-1, Feb. 27, Thomas Kemp of Newton.
1721, Apr. 3, John Sharrock of Newton.
 May 2, Susan Thorp of Failsworth.
 May 3, Hannah, wife of John Boardman of Newton.
1721-2, Feb. —, James Dunkerly of Newton.
1722, Mar. 2 . , Margaret, wife of John Boardman of Newton,
 labourer.
1722, April —, Anne Gillibrand of Failsworth, widow.
 Sep. 27, James Lort of Failsworth, webster.
 Oct. (?), Jane Johnson of Newton, widow.
1723, Sep. 19, Jane, wife of John Ogden of Newton, webster.
 Sep. 25, Mary, wife of John Clough of Failsworth, webster.
 Nov. 18, Frances, wife of John Shaw of Newton, husband-
 man.
 Nov. 28, Elizabeth Kemp of Newton, widow.
1723-4, Feb. 7, John Ogden of Newton.
1723-4, Mar. 1, John Pearson of Newton, widower.
 Mar. 23, Mary Kennion of Lime, widow.

- 1724, Apr. 16, Alice, wife to Abraham Pendleton.
Apr. 25, Abraham Pendleton of Failsworth.
June 7, James Jackson of Newton, widower.
Sept. —, John Leech of Failsworth, flaxdresser.
1724-5, Feb. 6, Elizabeth Taylor of Newton, widow.
1725, July 27, James Chatherton of Failsworth.
Dec. 6, Robt. Worsencroft [Wolstencroft] of Failsworth,
yeoman.
1725-6, Jan. 20, Anne Stock of Newton, widow.
Feb. 22, R . . Burgess of Failsworth, widower.
1726, May —, Joseph Grimshaw of Failsworth, webster.
July 24, — Stanfield of Failsworth, spinster.
1726-7, Feb. 15, Margaret Boardman of Newton, spinster.
Feb. 21, Jeremiah Berry of Newton.
1727, Aug. —, James Syddel of Newton.
1727, Aug. 24, Joshua Smith of Failsworth.
1727, Sep. 6, Catherine Leech of Failsworth.
1727, — —, George Crompton of Newton, webster.
1727, — —, Mary Barns of Newton.
1727, — —, John Buri of Newton.
1727, — —, Elizabeth Holland of Bradford.
1727, Nov., John Jackson of Newton, day labourer.
1727, Dec. 3. Samuel Pendleton of Failsworth.
Dec. —, Elizabeth Whitworth of Failsworth, widow.
Dec. 2 . , John Ogden of Failsworth.
1727-8, Jan. —, James Chadderton of Failsworth.
Jan. 2 . , John Boardman of Newton.
Jan. —, Hannah Smith of Failsworth, widow.
Feb. —, Robert Baguley of Newton.
Feb. 1 . , John Bradley of Newton.

MANCHESTER REGISTERS.—MARRIAGES AT MANCHESTER.

THE Manchester Registers, which are an indispensable aid to the Newton Registers, commence, so far as marriages are concerned, on August 19, 1573, and at first name no places of

residence beyond "foreign" parishes, and do not mention any particular part of any parish, thus the first three entries are :—

1573, Aug. 19, Nicholas Cleaton, poch de pstwch and Elline Pendleton
istius.

Sep. 2, Thurston Hamer p'sh de Ashton and Emyley Chadderton
istius.

Sep. 6, John P'cyvall and Anne Cleaton, both of this parish.

The following are those entries which definitely name Newton, Failsworth, Bradford, or Kirkmanshulme in the transcript contained in the Owen MSS., vol. i. p. 51 :—

1584, Julye 12, George Smith and Isabell Travis of Newton Heath.

1584-5, March 1, Willm. P'ker and Elizabeth Smithe of Newton [ch. ?].

These are the only two Newton items out of 5030 entries following the same formula prior to 1653, except the memorandum of 1622 already quoted (*ante* page 78).

It has not been deemed suitable to make any attempt to select from these five thousand entries those which probably refer to inhabitants of the Newton Chapelry District.

The following fuller formula began October 31, 1653, the extracts being those relating to Newton, &c. :—

1653, Dec. 8, John Guest of Astley, sone of John Guest of y^e same in y^e Parish of Leighe, chapman, and Mary Wright, dau. of John Wright, late of Bradford, chapman, deceased. Witnesses, Henry Guest, Raphe Hibbart, John Wright.

1653-4, Feb. 3, John Thorpe of Bradford, widower, chapman, and Ann Valentyne of Pendleton in y^e Parish of Eccles. Witnesses, Robert Seddon, George Andrewe.

Feb. 27, George Sykes of N., husbdm., widower, and Mary Hill of y^e same, widowe. Witn., Jas. Holland, Sam^l Holland, Jas. Dunkerley.

1654, Ap. 29, Edwd. Swindells of N., husbdm., son of John Swindells, of Disley in y^e County of Chester, deceased, and Ellen Birtenshaw, dau. of John Birtenshaw, late of Karsall, deceased. Witn., Henry Whitehalgh, Thos. Haworth, John Swindells.

May 6, Jas. Dyson of N., webster, son of Wm. Dyson of the same, husbdm., and Elizth. Chetham, dau. of Wm. Chetham, of Blakeley, husbdm. Witn., Wm. Dyson, Adam Smith, Ann *uxor* John Kenyon.

June 19, Edmd. Cowper of N., husbdm., son of Jas. Cowper, late of Midleton, deceased, and Ann Bancroft of N. aforesaid, dau. of Thos. B., late of Moston, deceased. Witn., John Buardsall, Robt. Cloughe.

- 1654, June 22, Adam Pendleton of Blakeley, widower, husbdm., and Ann Chorlton of N., dau. of Alexr. Chorlton, late of Chorlton, deceased. Witn., Thos. Berron, Saml. Tayler, John Pendleton.
- Julie 10, John Wright of Bradford, chapm., son of John W., late of y^e same, decd., and Mary Tayler, dau. of Richd. T., and late of y^e same, decd. Witn., Joseph Wright, John Coe.
- Aug. 15, John Thorpe of F., husbdm., s. of Ralph T., late of y^e same, decd., and Ales Hunt, d. of John H., late of Blakestake [Chorlton Row], decd. Witn., John Scofield, James Smith.
- Aug. 21, Thos. Berry of N., husbdm., s. of Raphe B., husbdm., and Sarah Jackson of N. aforesaid, dau. of Robt. J., of y^e same, shoemaker. Witn., Robt. Jackson, Raphe Berry, John Holbrooke, Ann Coppocke.
- Sept. 19, Timothie Walker of Manch., chapm., s. of Wm. W., clerk, late of y^e same, decd., and Hannah Gee, d. of Stephen Gee, late decd. Witn., Jane Walker his mother, Cisley Gee her mother, Matthew Wright.
- Sep. 20, Richd. Cowper of Moston, husbdm., s. of Wm. C., late of Bramhall, in y^e Co. of Chester, decd., and Ann Thorpe of F., d. of Raphe Th., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Danl. Clayton, Raphe Poole.
- Same date, Wm. Elliott of Manchr., webster, s. of John E., late of Stealey Wood, in y^e Co. of Chester, decd., and Ellen Cocke of N., dau. of Wm. C., late of the Par. of Asht-u-L. Witn., John Hartley, John Whitaker, John Scofield.
- Oct. 21, Edmd. Chatterton of F., shoemaker, son of Richd. C., of y^e sa., shoemaker, and Jane Stephen of N., dau. of Jeffrey S., late of Caton in y^e Co. of Lancr., decd. Witn., Richd. Chatterton his father, Jas. Butterworth.
- 1654-5, Feb. 6, Wm. Hall of Manch., shoemaker, s. of Richd. H. of y^e sa., webster, and Mary Bowker of Bradford, d. of Raphe B., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Richd. Hall, Thos. Clayton, Lawr^{ce} Hulme.
- Feb. 21, Robt. Knowles of Grindlowe, blksm., s. of Edmd. K. of y^e sa., blksm., and Hanna Richardson, d. of Thos. R., late of Grindlowe aforesaid, decd. Witn., Randall Purseval, Thos. Richardson.
- Feb. 26, Abraham Jackson of Manch., hosier, s. of Ab^m J., late of Wakefield in y^e Co. of York, decd., and Elenor Boardman of N., d. of Adam B. of y^e same, yeoman. Witn., Adam Boardman her father, Barnard Clay.
- 1655, Apr. 12, Robt. Birch of Moston, chapm., s. of Hughe B. of y^e sa., yeoman, and Abigail Smith of ffailsworth, d. of — Smith, late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Samuel Birch, Ales Lightbowne.

- 1655, Ap. 14, Geo. Kempe of Audenshaw, in y^e Par. of Asht.-u.-L., webster, s. of Nicholas K., of N., webster, and Katherine Ryder of failsw., d. of Ambrose R., late of Openshaw, decd. Witn., Nicholas Kempe, Samuel Kempe, Wm. Elliott.
- Ap. 16, Raphe Buardsall of Manch., chapm., s. of Raphe B., late of N., decd., and Susan Bowker of Manch., wid. Witn., Matthew Greaves, Edmd. Williamson, Thos. Haworth.
- May 4, John Baxter of F., tayler, s. of Thos. B., late of Brinnington, decd., and Susan Smethurst of F., d. of John S., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., John Owen, Elizth. Baxter, Elizth. Smethurst, Hughe Elliott.
- June 9, Robt. Wrightson of N., yarnwhiter, s. of Chrstr. W. of y^e sa., yarnwhiter, and Mary Hilton of Prestwich, d. of Francis H. of y^e sa., husbdm. Witn., Edwd. Garnett, Thos. Fletcher (see *ante* p. 79)
- Oct. 11, Danl. Thorpe of Asht.-u.-L., husbdm., s. of John Thorpe of y^e sa., husbdm., and Elizth. Tayler of Bradford, d. of Richd. T. of y^e sa., yeoman. Witn., John Wright, Thos. Clayton, Robt. Thorpe.
- 1655-6, Jan. 16, Thos. Somester of Hollinwood, in y^e Par. of Ouldham, webster, s. of Geo. S., of the sa., webster, and Mary Kempe, d. of Zachary K. of F., yeom. Witn., Zachary Kempe, Ales Somester, John Clough, John Whitaker.
- Feb. 16, Robt. Winterbotham of the Par. of Ouldham, webster, s. of John W. of y^e Par. of Asht.-u.-L., husbdm., and Elizth. Higginson of F., dau. of John H., late of Bolton, decd. Witn., John Winterbotham, Jas. Bowker, Wm. Wroe.
- Mar. 19, Richd. Hopwood of F., tayler, s. of Edwd. H., late of Heaton in y^e Par. of Prestwich, decd., and Mary Martin of Bradford, d. of Wm. M., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Saml. Owen, Elizth. Streete, Ann Thorpe.
- Mar. 20, John Wolsencroft of F., s. of Robt. W., late of y^e sa., decd., and Mary Smethurst of Nuthurst, d. of John S., late of y^e par. of Bury, decd. Witn., Elizth. Wolsencroft, John Booth, Elizth. Shacklocke.
- Mar. 24, John Dawson of F., webster, son of Edwd. D., of Harpurhey, webster, and Grace Hadcroft of F., wid. Witn., Edwd. Dawson, Geo. Barlowe, Jas. Barlowe.
- 1656, Mar. 26, John Hardman of F., yeom., s. of Henry H. of y^e sa., yeom., and Mary Heape of Chatterton, d. of Geo. H., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., John Whitaker, Adam Wolfenden, John Heape.
- Apr. 7, John Tayler of F., husbdm., s. of Geo. Tayler of y^e sa., husbdm., and Mary Dunster of y^e Par. of Ouldham, d. of Edwd. D. of y^e sa., husbdm. Witn., Geo. Tayler, Edwd. Dunster, Geo. Tayler, junr.

- 1656, Aug. 9, John Barlow of N., lynnén webster and widower, and Ann Hulme of N., d. of Geo. H., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Stephen Hulme, Jas. Hulme, Ann Hulme.
- Oct. 4, Henry Harrup of F., husbdm. and widower, and Ann Heaton of N., wid. Witn., Richd. Royton, John Heape.
- Dec. 2, John Ogden of Alkrington, webster, s. of Hugh O. of y^e sa., webster, and Ann Lortt, d. of Saml. L. of N., tayler. Witn. Saml. Lortt, Hughe Ogden, Joshua Thorpe.
- Dec. 27, Wm. Rydeings of F., webst., s. of Robt. R., decd., and Katherine Newton of F., wid. Witn., Geo. Smith, Richd. Chaderton, Saml. Hall.
- Dec. 30, Roger Bowker of Gorton, feltmaker, s. of Thos. B. of y^e sa., webster, and Sarah Marler of Gorton, d. of Roger M., late of Kirkmanshulme, decd. Witn., Thos. Bowker, Robt. Grenehalghe, Mary Bowker.
- 1656-7, Feb. 7, Thos. Wilcockson of Gorton, chapm., s. of John W. of y^e sa., chapm., and Sarah Holland of F., d. of Adam H., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., John Wilcockson, John Whittle, Jas. Holland.
- 1657, Mar. 30, Joseph Radcliffe of Ashton, husbdm., s. of Ellen Radcliffe of y^e sa., and John Clough, late of y^e sa., decd., and Ann Hindle of F., dau. of John Hindle of y^e Par. of Blackburn, decd., married before Edmund Hopwood. Witn., John Bruce, Saml. Hollinworth.
- Apr. 18, John Berron of F. webst., s. of Peter B. of Edenfield, shoemkr., and Martha Wolstencroft of F., d. of Robt. W. of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Richard Berron, Raphe Berron.
- May 22, Jas. Thorpe of Moston, dryster, s. of John Th., late of y^e sa., decd., and Frances Smith of N., d. of Thos. S. of y^e sa., webster. Witn., Hughe Thorpe, Ann Wyld.
- June 3, John Hopwood of F., husbdm. and wid^r, and Ann Heaward of Spotland, in y^e Par. of Rochdale, wid. Witn., Roger fildes, Jonⁿ Chadwick, Matthew Simcock.
- June 4, Robt. Browne of Ardwicke, husbdm., s. of Raynald Browne of Bramhall, in y^e co. of Chester, husbdm., and Elizth. Chaderton of N., d. of John Chaderton of y^e Par. of Ouldham. Witn., Raynald Browne, James Platt.
- Aug. 22, Hughe Pendleton of Blakeley, husbdm., s. of Robt. P. of y^e sa., husbdm., and Ann Hopwood of Bradford, d. of Edmd. H., late of y^e Par. of Prestwich, decd. Witn., Hy. Whitehalgh, Jas. Jackson.
- Sep. 16, Geo. Clough of F., chirurgion, s. of John C., late of y^e Par. of Ouldham, decd., and Jane Hulme of Moston, d. of John H., of Moston, yeoman. Witn., John Hulme.
- Sep. 29, John Booth of Salford, chapm., s. of Edwd. Booth late

- of Redish, decd., and Elizth. Vance, of Bradford, d. of Hugh Vance of y^e sa., collier, by Robert Browne [Minister]. Witn., Hugh Vance, Saml. Cuthbertson.
- 1657, Oct. 27, Richd. Williamson of Bradford, blksm., s. of Wm. W., late of Asht-u-L., decd., and Ales Blomiley of Ardwick, d. of Robt. B., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Edward Williamson, Edmd. Piersevall, John Barne.
- Nov. 10, John Kenion of N., yarnwhiter, s. of Michael K., late of Yorke, decd., and Katherine Lowe of Beswick Bridge, d. of Robt. L. of Pendleton, in y^e Par. of Eccles, husbdm., married at Manch., by R. Browne, Minister. Witn., Richd. Beswicke, and James Beswicke and others.
- Nov. 25, Wm. Bakon of Manch., shoemaker and widr., and Alice Bowker of Bradford, wid. Witn., John Mosse, Elizth. Marton.
- 1658, Ap. 20, Chas. Beswick of Stockport, minister, s. of John Beswick, late of F., decd., and Sylence Symonds of Manch., d. of Robt. Symonds. Rector of Dalberrie in y^e co. of Derby, married at Manch. by Robt. Browne, minister [no witnesses stated and Mr. Owen notes that there are no returns at Chester between 1640 and 1671]
- May 11, Cuthbert Baines of Bradford, feltmaker, s. of John B., late of ffr-c'ton, decd., and Ellen Piersevall, d. of John P., late of Manch., decd. Witn., John Piersevall, John Hawes.
- Julie 6, John Grunshaw of Droylsden, tayler, s. of John G., tayler, and Martha Marler of F., d. of Raphe M., late of y^e sa., decd. Witn., Mr. John Gilliam, Francis Wood.
- 1658, Dec. 10, Robert of Busmeid here, widr., and Elizabeth Wright, d. of John Wright late of Bradford, decd. Witn., Wm. and John Worth.
- 1659, Oct. 20, Richd. Pycroft, tayler, and Abigail Piersevall, d. of Richd. P., late of N., married at Newton by Mr. Edward Richardson, minister at Stretford.
- 1659-60, Feb. 14, Robt. Royton of N., webster, and Thomazen Bate of y^e sa., married at Manch. by Mr. Holland, minister at Blakely. Witn., John Andrew, Saml. Hollingworth and others.
- Mar. 1, John Jackson of N., widower, and Mary Taylor of Gorton, married at Manch. by Joshua Stopford, minister at Manch. Witn., Zachary Taylor, Raphe Chorlton and others.
- 1660, Julie 31, Jeremy Hartley of N., chapm., and Jane Valentine of y^e sa., marr. at Manch. by Mr. John Davie, minister. Witn., Elizbth. Hartley, John Shacklocke, gent., and many others.

The fuller formula ceased on Aug. 23, 1660, and the shorter one was resumed. The above extracts of the full form number

55, giving an average of nearly eight marriages per annum. The shorter form was as follows :—

1660, Nov. 6, Jas. Dunkerley and Margt. Andrew of Newton.

Dec. 27, Josh. Kenion of N. and Margt. Lees of y^e Par. of Prestwich.

The place of residence is, however, generally omitted from September, 1660, onwards, and only other parishes are named, so that the two Newton marriages just quoted are all that can be usefully extracted here, until the following occur :—

1675, May 19, John Werden and Ellen Page H[ujus] L[icense] married at Newton Ch.

1676, Apr. 13, William Wagstaffe of Glossop, Clerke, and Hannah Holland, H., married at Newton Chapel.

1679, Sept. 21, Nathan Leech, gent., and Barbara Massie, L[icense].

1686, July 11, Mr. Nathan Leech and Mrs. Alice Daniel, H[ujus] L[icense].

1682, May 25, Jonⁿ Hall and Margaret Diggle, H., married at Newton Chappell, L.

1683, Ap. 19, Thos. Harsnett of Manch., gent., and Mary Barlow of the same, married at Newton Chapel, L.

1685-6, Feb. 24, Joseph Clegg and Easter Williamson, H.L., at Newton Chappell, Mr. flogg [minister].

1688-9, Feb. 12, James Scot and Lydia Leech, married at Newton Chappell, L. [Mr. Owen has elsewhere noted, 1688-9, Mar. 5, John Chorlton and Hannah Leech married at Newton Chapel. This entry does not however seem to be in the Manch. Reg. There were no weddings there in March, being Lent.

1695-6, Feb. 16, John Lowe, H., and Mary Entwistle, par. of Winwick, married at Newton.

1698, May 12, Thos. Kemp of Newton and Mary Wagstaffe of Fails-worth, married at Newton Chapel, L.

In 1703 the place of residence begins to be given thus :—

1703, Oct. 24, Henry Kemp and Mary Hulme, Newton.

Nov. 6, Nathan Elder and Mary Hurst, Newton.

Nov. 25, Mr. Matthew Greaves and Mrs. Maddock, H.L., married at Newton Chapp.

Dec. 4, John Taylor and Mary Newton, he of Newton.

1704, Mar. 28, John Thorp and Mary Boardman, H.L., married at Newton Chappell, both of Manchester.

Dec. 25, John Chorlton and Alice Shaw — N.

- 1705, Junero, John Holt and Ellen Breadbury, H., he of Newton.
 June 23, Jonⁿ Glossop and Jane Key, fflsworth.
 Oct. 23, Wm. Bowker and Martha Jackson, H., Bradford, felt maker.
 Nov. 6, Jonⁿ Slater and Sarah Sidebotham, N., whitster.
 1705-6, Jan. 27, John Smith and Ann Lees, fflsworth, lymen weaver.
 Jan. 29, Jas. Lort and Martha Thorpe, fflsworth.
 Jan. 31, Thos. Kemp and Sibilla Dean, H., bolster weaver, N.
 1706, May 30, Chas. Beswicke and Sarah Hobson, H., Kerkemons-hulme, Lyn. wea.
 Oct. 12, Thos. Hyde and Mary Right, N., whitster.

From 1707 the old bare formula begins again, no mention being made of the place of residence, only the parishes to which "foreigners" belonged being recorded. Taking the entries for 1703 to 1706 at Manchester with those at Newton the average number of marriages of persons from the Newton Chapelry District seems to have been about four per annum, as against the average of eight per annum for the period 1653-1660.

The only "Newton" entry as far as February 6, 1725-6, is:—
 1711, Oct. 13, John Key of Cheetwood and Sarah Berry of F.

As already mentioned (*ante* p. 81) the Marriage Act, 1754, had the effect of discontinuing marriages at the surrounding chapels for a time, and they were all celebrated in a wholesale and rather unseemly manner, judging by contemporary accounts and anecdotes, at the mother church in Manchester.¹ To extract all the Newton Chapelry items would swell this volume unduly, and the following, covering a period of ten years (1761-1770 inclusive), must suffice.² They number 178, and average about

¹ The record is alleged to have been six dozen at a time with the exhortation to "sort yourselves" at the end of the ceremony.

² The Owen MSS. contain the following intermediate extracts relating to the Smith family:—

- 1755, May 14, James Smith of F., weaver, and Sarah Hall of Asht.-u.-L. par.
 May 27, James Lees of N., crofter, and Jane Smith of F.
 1757, Jan. 6, Thos. Smith and Hannah Holt of F.
 Dec. 25, Jabez Moor, weaver, and Martha Smith of F.
 1758, Mar. 26, Joshua Wyatt of F., weaver, and Susannah Smith of Manch.
 July 24, John Smith, weaver, and Mary Whitworth of D.
 1759, Apr. 17, Amos Ogden, weaver, and Jane Smith of F.
 Sep. 13, John Andrew, shoemaker, and Ann Smith of F.
 1760, Feb. 5, James Schofield of F., bricklayer, and Martha Hulme of Stretford.

eighteen per annum. They throw light upon the occupation of many of the inhabitants of the Chapelry District besides serving to some extent as a stock-book of Newtonian families for that period, and show the persistence of many of the old names and the gradual importation of a few new ones.

1761-2, Feb. 2, George Hall of Failsworth, whitster, and Sarah Stanley of Moston.

1761, Feb. 3, Jas. Lees of N., whitster, Mary Sharples of Manch.

Feb. 3, Thos. Kemp, N., weaver, Mary Wardle of Manch.

Feb. 29, Jas. Kenyon, F., miller, Betty Kirkman, D.

Apr. 7, Wm. Heap, weaver, Sarah Townley, N.

Ap. 14, Wm. Lees, blksmith., Sarah Taylor, F.

Apr. 27, Robt. Clough, N., weaver, Ann Holden, Man.

May 11, Jos. Whitehead, N. currier, Mary Makin, F.

May 15, Thos. Shepley, weaver, Mary Ogden, wid., F., L.

June 17, Thos. Dunkerley, D., whitster, Ann Rothwell, N.

July 14, Wm. Allen, Most., weaver, Mary Tomlinson, F.

July 18, Josiah Chandler, N., crofter, Elizth. Hickman, Salf.

July 31, Wm. Gillibrand, weaver, Alice Ridings, F.

Aug. 15, Wm. Axon, N., weaver, Ann Rider, Gorton.

Aug. 16, Geo. Haveyard, Gorton, weaver. Rebecca Wolstenam, N.*

Sep. 7, Thos. Scholes, Chadderton, weaver, Elizth. Jackson, N.

Sep. 7, Jas. Blakeley, F., weaver, Ann Clough, N.

Oct. 21, Rich. Cooper, Openshaw, whitster, Ann Sharples, B.

Oct. 31, Robt. Grundy, crofter, Sarah Walwork, N.

Nov. 3, John Pollet, crofter, Mary Holt, F.

Nov. 18, Jas. Hilton, F., crofter, Agnes Sutcliffe, N.

Nov. 22, Jas. Woolfendale, Manch., weaver, Alice Grimshaw, B.

Dec. 1, Danl. Howarth, weaver, Ann Harrop, F.

Dec. 28, Joseph Hulme, Gorton, hatter, Mary Axton, N.

Dec. 28, Thos. Whittaker, F., weaver, Lettice Baguley, Moston.

1762, Jan. 21, Jonⁿ Whitaker, Blakeley, Hannah Butterworth, F.

Feb. 10, Wm. Hampson, D., crofter, Sarah Hope, B.

May 17, John Partington, Blackley, farmer, Sarah Garside, F.

May 27, Abr^m Heywood, Heap, weaver, Ann Fitton, F.

June 15, Jos^b Ogden, weaver, Martha Holt, F.

June 20, Theoph^s Woolstencroft, weaver, Ann Adcroft, N.

July 1, Geo. Smith, N., crofter, Hannah Rider, Blackley.

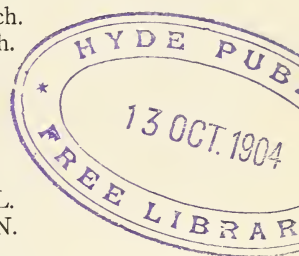
July 6, Jas. Etches, weaver, Rose Boardman, F.

July 22, Nath^l Clough, F., weaver, Mary Whitehead, Moston.

Aug. 16, John Clough, weaver, Mary Whitaker, F.

Aug. 23, Jas. Kemp, weaver, Mary Wolsencroft, N.

Sep. 5, Joshua Hibbert, D., Mary Gee, F.



- 1762, Sep. 12, Jonas Askam, Manch., miller, Betty Adcroft, N.
 Sep. 21, Geo. Etchels, F., Alice Taylor, Oldham.
 Nov. 8, Wm. Chetham, Salford, wea., Sarah Kemp, N.
 Nov. 22, Dan^l Rawson, Salford, wea., Hannah Holt, N.
 Dec. 13, Jas. Travis, wea., Esther Adcroft, N.
- 1763, Feb. 7, Thos. Goodier, wea., Elizth. Taylor, F.
 Feb. 10, John Wosencroft, B., whitster, Ellen Shawcross, Blakly.
 Apr. 5, John Holland, linen wea., Ellen Whitaker, F.
 Apr. 7, John Odcroft, linen wea., Ann Cash, N.
 May 12, Sampson Farrand, whitster, Betty Thorp, F.
 June 22, Giles Alred, lin. wea., Ann Ogden, F.
 June 26, John Taylor, F., lin. wea., Betty Else, N.
 July 4, Jas. Taylor, wea., Mary Hibbert, F., wid.
 July 24, Richd. Wallwork (drowned), Hulme, whitster, Martha Bagshaw, Newton Lane.
 Aug. 1, Sam^l Clough, F., weaver, Mary Hooley, N.
 Aug. 15, Jas. Hargreaves, Chetham, whitster, Betty Clough, N.
 Oct. 18, John Brown, N., Husbdm., Betty Whittle, F.
 Oct. 20, Thos. Barrow, F., wea.; Sarah Taylor, Oldham.
 Nov. 15, Edmd. Whitehead, Most., bucklemaker, Ellen Berry, F.
 Dec. 1, Jonⁿ Slater, N., lin. wea., Alice Bowker, D., L.
 Dec. 1, Benjⁿ Hulton, F., whitster, Mary Hide, Chaterton.
 Dec. 23, Geo. Garlick, F., wea., Esther Walker, Moston.
- 1764, Jan. 5, Jas. Rogerson, whitster, Ann Asheton, N.
 Jan. 8, Wm. Clough, lin. wea., Martha Schoales, F.
 Feb. 21, Rich. Tomasin, whit., Elizth. Clough, F.
 Mar. 6, Ralph Ogden, cooper, Esther Whitehead, F.
 Apr. 23, John Hobson, gentleman, Betty Newton, F., L.
 May 8, Wm. Thompson, weaver, Betty Clayton, N.
 May 17, Jas. Bromeley, Manch., dyer, Jane Simister, N., L.
 May 27, Geo. Marsh, blksm., wea., Elizth. Haughton, N.
 June 3, Josh. Hampson, Man., servtman, Hannah Mair, N.
 June 4, Jonah Wolstenholme, wea., Mary Garlick, F.
 June 30, John Chatherton, N., wea., Peggy Holden, Man.
 July 17, Wm. Whittaker, wea., Betty Etches, F.
 July 30, John Herron, F., wea., Martha Worsley, Man., wid.
 Aug. 22, John Scholes, Man., chapm., Ann Worthington, N., L.
 Sep. 27, Jas. Taylor, N., whit., Ellen Brierley, F.
 Oct. 3, Jas. Robinson, cordwainer, Betty Ogden, F.
 Oct. 16, Thos. Fletcher, Man., breechesmkr., Martha Johnson, N., L.
 Oct. 18, Jas. Lowe, husbdm., Mary Newton, N.
 Nov. 19, John Fielden, N., crofter, Betty Astah, Hulme, L.
 Nov. 20, Josiah Gillibrand, wea., Mary Etches, F.
 Dec. 23, John Turner, Man., lin. wea., Susannah Townley, N.
- 1765, Feb. 12, Josh. Hall, N., Bricklr., Susannah Brierley, F.

- 1765, Feb. 19, Danl. Shepley, wea., Nancy Syddal, F.
 Ap. 21, Nathl Chadwick, Gorton, wea., Ann Royle, N.
 May 27, Jonⁿ Hartley, B., husbdm., Sarah Elcock, Denton.
 May 27, Thos. Mather, N., farmer, Rebecca Saxton, F.
 June 1, Thos. Herron, wea., Lydia Heywood, N.
 June 27, John Mobbs, Man., silk wea., Mary Etchells, N., L.
 June 29, Jas. Shore, whitster, Mary Wrigley, N.
 July 14, Jas. Wood, F., whit., Mary Crossley, N.
 Aug. 23, Joseph Radford, Moston, whit., Mary Slater, N., L.
 Aug. 26, John Ridge, tailor, Betty Pendleton, F.
 Aug. 26, Thos. Chaderton, coalminer, Ellen Bury, F., wid.
 Oct. 12, Francis Bradley, weaver, Sarah Wyatt, F., L.
 Oct. 15, Wm. Moors, lin. wea., Ann Whittaker, F.
 Oct. 27, Hy. Nicholson, D., felt maker, Nancy Clough, F.
 Nov. 12, Joseph Moors, lin. wea., Mary Scholfield, F.
 Nov. 18, Joseph Garlick, F., lin. wea., Alice Jackson, Middleton,
 wid.
 Dec. 13, Simeon Andrew, collier, Betty Stafford, N., wid.
 1766, Jan. 6, John Tinker, lin. wea., Hannah Taylor, F.
 Feb. 7, Jas. Worthington, N., farmer, Margt. Harrison, Manch.
 Feb. 11, John Ashton, F., husbdm., Sarah Bowker, N., wid.
 Ap. 2, John Hampson, D., whitster, Mary Richardson, N., L.
 May 4, John Rodgers, whitster, Ann Brooks, N.
 June 10, Geo. Simister, N., whitster, Betty Woolsencroft, Gorton.
 June 23, Thos. Ogden, lin. weaver, Betty Hilton, F.
 June 24, Saml Clough, N., wea., Betty Wardley, F.
 July 8, Richd. Wood, whit., Betty Smith, F.
 July 18, Wm. Turner, N., whit., Hannah Taylor, Manch.
 July 31, Thos. Barlow, weaver, Sarah Wardley, F.
 Aug. 12, Joseph Grimshaw, whit., Elizth. Hall, N.
 Sept. 23, Robt. Whitehead, whit., Martha Gaskell, N.
 Oct. 13, Thos. Wolstenholme, N., whit., Alice Hibbert, Ashton-u.-L.
 Oct. 21, Wm. Blackshaw, D., whit., Sarah Simister, N.
 Dec. 4, Saml Pollit, F., weaver, Ann Berry, Moston.
 Dec. 23, John Ogden, Harperhey, weaver, Mary Bentley, N.
 Dec. 23, Jas. Rayner, Manch., weaver, Mary Taylor, N.
 Dec. 29, Joseph Williamson, N., whit., Betty Shepley, Moston.
 1767, Mar. 13, Henry Kesall (Kelsall?), cordwainer, Ann Clough, F.
 Ap. 23, Jonⁿ Bamforth, Rotherham, forgeman, Esther Hyde, F., L.
 May 18, John Ogden, wea., Sarah Holt, F.
 July 14, Joseph Taylor, cordwainer, Elizth. Smith, F.
 July 14, Jas. Cundiff, Oldham, Betty Berry, F.
 July 22, Danl Saxon, whitster, Mary Boardman, N.
 Aug. 2, Richd. Scholes, N., husbdm., Alice Heap, Openshaw.
 Sep. 27, Hy. Chaderton, B., coalminer, Ann Mather, Openshaw.

- 1767, Oct. 20, Abr^m Mather, F., weaver, Sarah Kershaw, N.
 Nov. 30, Wm. Kay, tailor, Lydia Pickstone, N., wid.
 Dec. 5, Wm. Goodier, N., wea., Mary Pollitt, F.
 Dec. 14, Robt. Boardman, wea., Alice Richardson, N.
 Dec. 22, Wm. Aldred, Mary Lees, F.
 Dec. 24, Thos Goodier, wea., Ann Lees, F.
- 1768, Jan. 5, Joshua Ogden, wea., Betty Moors, F.
 Jan. 6, Thos. Aspinall, D., tanner, Alice Horrox, B.
 Jan. 16, Roger Richardson, Gorton, whits., Hannah Pollitt, F.
 Jan. 19, John Mayho, N., farmer, Esther Ashley, Broughton.
 Jan. 23, Edwd. Wrigley, N., whit., Ann Whitehead, F.
 Jan. 26, Joseph Watts, N., husbdm., Betty Berry, D.
 Feb. 13, Joseph Dawson, Blakley, shopkpr., Alice Richardson, N., L.
 Feb. 16, Jas. Berry, F., husbdm., Ellen Whitehead, Moston.
 Feb. 16, John Kemp, N., crofter, Mary Holliday, D.
 Apr. 20, John Lowe, whit., Mary Nutt, F.
 Sep. 27, Wm. Brown, wea., Hannah Hall, F.
 Nov. 3, Enoch Armitage, wea., Betty Ogden, F.
 Nov. 4, Joseph Brown, tailor, Esther Clark, F.
 Nov. 29, Oliver Ogden, F., Ann Berry, D.
 Dec. 6, Jas. Newton, collier, Ann Horrox, B.
 Dec. 11, Jas. Taylor, F., weaver, Hannah Stott, Moston.
- 1769, Jan. 10, Benjⁿ Johnson, N., whitster, Elizth. Hudson, L.
 Feb. 2, Geo. Lucas, Salf., whitster, Jane Wolstenholme, N.
 Feb. 7, Robt. Ingham, cordwainer, Ann Nailer, F.
 May 10, Thos. Cooper, D., feltmaker, Lydia Ashton, N., wid.
 May 22, Jas. Hall, bricklayer, Elizth. Tomlinson, N.
 June 5, Joseph Wolstenholme, lin. wea., Sarah Ashworth, F.
 July 3, Saml. Pendleton, N., lin. wea., Elizth. Clough, F.
 July 18, Joseph Nicherson, D., feltmaker, Mary Cooper, F.
 Oct. 31, Thos. Kershaw, F., tanner, Matty Harrison, Asht.-u.-L.
 Nov. 5, Joseph Smith, lin. wea., Peggy Clough, F.
 Nov. 10, Jonⁿ Hooley, whitster, Mary Thorpe, N.
 Nov. 14, Jas. Rothwell, N., whitster, Hannah Howarth, D.
 Dec. 11, Joseph Bardsley, Stockport, weaver, Betty Kenyon, F.
- 1770, Apr. 17, Saml. Goodier, check wea., Ann Settle, N.
 May 15, Thos. Lancaster, F., wea., Lucretia Gillibrand, D.
 June 19, Jas. Fletcher, N., whit., Jane Travis, Asht.-u.-L.
 June 19, Jas. Booth, F., shopkpr., Ann Gillibrand, N.
 July 8, Isaac Fitten, wea., Sarah Knott, F.
 July 22, Jas. Heywood, wea., Mary Gartside, Newton Lane.
 Aug. 5, Edmd. Travis, whit., Nancy Shepley, F.
 Aug. 13, John Jackson, Broughton, lin. wea., Ann Ashton, F.
 Aug. 14, Wm. Simister, N., whit., Ann Berry, F.
 Aug. 16, Joash Adcroft, lin. wea., Martha Grundy, N.

- 1770, Sep. 25, Jas. Lees, tailor, Mary Fullolove, F.
Sep. 27, Jonⁿ Booth, slaughterer, Betty Taylor, F.
Oct. 28, John Booth, silk weaver, Mary Taylor, F.
Oct. 30, Lud Wroe, wea., Alice Taylor, wid., F.
Nov. 6, Jas. Woolsencroft, joiner, Betty Bentley, F.
Dec. 3, Edmd. Whitehead, lin. wea., Elizth. Rayner, F.
Dec. 18, Richd. Holt, whitster, Elizth. Booth, F.
Dec. 23, Jas. Kenyon, F., cordwainer, Mary Booth, N.

BAPTISMS AT MANCHESTER.

THE Manchester baptismal registers begin on August 3, 1573, but at first do not distinguish Newton Chapelry entries. The place of the parents' residence is not stated.

The following are selections only, and are extracted from the Owen transcript. They cover the period preceding the Newton Registers, and deal only with Newton, Failsworth, Bradford, and Kirkmanshulme.

- 1582, Ap. 11, Jas., son to John Whitworth of Newton.
1584, Sep. 27, Geo., s. to George Holland, N.
1585, May 30, Jas., s. to Adam Holt, N.
1587, June 4, Geo., s. to Wm. Kilshaw, gent.
1593, May 27, Cicea, dr. to Wm. Culcheth, gent.
Oct. 21, Daniel, s. to Jno. Dunkerley, bapt. at Newton Chapel.
—— Richd., s. to Jno. Travis, " " "
1598-9, Jan. 28, Geo., s. to Geo. Travis of Scotland.
1606, June 15, Richd., s. of Thos. Percyvall of Grindloe.
Oct. 12, Jas., s. to Jno. Whitworth of Scotland.
1606-7, Jan. 11, Geo., s. to Jno. Barnes of Newton.
1607, Apr. 7, Hugh, s. to Hugh Boardman, N.
May 25, Myles, s. to Otes Boardman, N.
June 7, John, s. to Wm. Butler, N.
July 5, Sara, dr. to Adam Hall, N.
Aug. 15, Roger, s. to Roger Beswicke, Kirkmanshulme.
Oct. 4, Jane, dr. to Robt. Bowker, N.
1607-8, Feb. 7, John, s. of Robt. Hulme, N.
Feb. 14, Geo., s. to Geo. Barnes, N.
1608, May 15, Mary, d. to Thos. Kemp, N.
Sep. 4, Ralph, s. to Edwd. Bewrdsall, N.
Dec. 25, Jas., s. to Robt. Baguley, N.
1609, Oct. 8, Jno., s. to Adam Baguley, N.
1610, Sep. 16, Maria, d. to Ralph Whitworth, N.

- 1611-12, Mar. 1, John, s. of Hugh Smith, N.
 1612, July 26, John, s. to Robt. Baguley, N.
 1613, May 2, Suzanna, d. of John Smith, N.
 Oct. 14, John, s. of John Marler, K.
 1613-14, Jan. 30, Adam, s. of Adam Smith, F.
 Feb. 13, Alice, d. of Raphe Smith, F.
 1614, Apr. 17, Alice, d. of Hugh Smith, N.
 Aug. 28, George, s. of Wm. Clough, F.
 Dec., 28, John, s. to Geo. Baguley, N.
 1614-15, Feb. 12, Jane, d. to Richd. Whitworth, N.
 1615, May 14, Jeremye, s. of Edward Smith, B.
 Aug. 27, Joseph, s. to Adam Holland the younger, N.
 Nov. 5, Anne, d. of John Smith, F.
 1615-6, —, Mary, d. of James Smith of Kirkmanshulme.
 Feb. 11, John, s. to Richd. Whitworth of N.
 1616, Sep. 29, Mary, d. of Hugh Smith, N.
 Oct. 13, Mary, d. of Raphe Smith, F.
 1616-7, Jan. 6, Sara, d. to Geo. Baguley, N.
 1617, Oct. 26, Thos., s. of Wm. Thorpe, F.
 Nov. 30, Sara, d. of John Smith, F.
 1617-8, Feb. 1, Theophilus, s. to Adam Holland, N.
 Feb. 22, Mary, d. of Thos. Smith, N.
 1618-9, Jan. 24, Martha, d. of Raphe Smith, F.
 Jan. 31, Raphe, s. of Hughe Chadkirke, N.
 Mar. 7, John, s. of Edmund Houlte, N.
 1619, Julie 5, Sarah, d. of Nicholas Travis, N.
 Sep. 26, Mary, d. of Robarte Jacksonne, N.
 Oct. 10, Martha, d. of John Smith, F.
 Dec. 5, Ann, d. of Samuel Smith of Dob Lane.
 1619-20, Jan. 6, Nicholas, s. to George Baguley, N.
 Jan. 23, John, s. of Richd. Ellinthorpe, N.
 Feb. 27, Marye, d. of Adam Hall, N.
 Mar. 19, Marye, d. of Geo. Barnes, N.
 Mar. 19, Suzan, d. of Jas. Dison, N.
 1620, Ap. 19, Anna, d. of Adam Holland, N.
 June 4, Edmd., s. of Hughe Boardman, N.
 Aug. 20, Abigail, d. to Thomas Holland, N.
 Aug. 27, Marye, d. of Robarte Hibbart, N.
 Oct. 22, Ellin, d. of John Ouldham, N.
 1620-1, Mar. 11, Martha, d. of Randall Grundie, N.
 Mar. 18, Anna, d. of Adam Hall, N.
 Mar. 18, Elizth., d. of Hughe Smithe, N.
 1621, Mar. 25, Jas., s. of Jas. Andrew, N.
 Ap. 25, John, s. of Adam Holland, junr., N.
 May 6, James, s. of Raphe Smith, F.

- 1621, June 3, Anne, d. of Thos. Hollins, N.
June 10, Elizth., d. of Joseph Ogden, N.
Julye 15, Joseph, s. of John Mosse, N.
Aug. 19, Mary, d. of John Ogden, N.
Sept. 16, Easter, d. of John Smith, F.
Oct. 28, Elzth., d. of Raphe Boardman, N.
Nov. 4, Elizth., d. of Samuel Mosse of Newton.
- 1621-2, Jan. 13, Elizth., d. of Wm. Pendleburie, N.
Jan. 20, John, s. of John Hartley, N.
Feb. 10, Marye, d. of George Grunshall, N.
Feb. 10, Adam, s. of Adam Holland, N.
- 1622, Ap. 14, Suzanna, d. of Thos. Cloughe, F.
Ap. 20, Jas., s. of John Neile, N.
Ap. 21, Anne, d. of Jas. Dison, N.
Ap. 28, Katherine, d. of Hugh Boardman, N.
June 10, George, s. of Geo. Baguley, N.
Julie 11, Marye, d. of John . . . N.
Julie 14, John, s. of Jeremie Hollinworth, N.
Julie, 28, Mary, d. of Adam Holland, N.
Aug. 24, Dannyell, s. of Samuel Smith, F.
Sep. 8, Jas., s. of Thos. Smythe, N.
Oct. 13, Elizth., d. of Robarte Bowker, N.
Oct. 27, Joane, d. of Henrye Gartsyde, N.
Nov. 3, Margaret, d. of Edward Wroe, F.
Dec. 15, Robarte, s. of Jas. Baguley, of ffaylesworth, bap. at
Newton Chapell.
- 1622-3, Jan. 12, Jane, d. of Samuel Lorte of Newton.
Feb. 9, Alice, d. of Joseph Ogden, N.
Mar. 2, John, s. of John Ogden, N.
- 1623, Julie 6, Randle, s. of Randle Grundye, N.
Aug. 31, Thos., s. of Adam Holland, N.
Nov. 16, Samull, s. of John Hartley, N.
- 1623-4, Feb. 14, Anne, d. of Geo. Baguley, N.
Mar. 20, John, s. of John Ogden, N.
- 1624, Apr. 18, Jeremie, s. of Richd. Grantham, N.
Apr. 28, Sarah, d. of John Penburye, N.
Aug. 1, Marye, d. of Edmund Houlte, Newton Lane.
Oct. 17, Marye, d. of John Mosse, N.
Nov. 28, Elizth., d. of Geo. Grunshall, N.
- 1624-5, Jan. 20, Martha, d. of Robarte Jacksonne, N.
Jan. 30, Daniel, s. of Raphe Smith, F.
Feb. 2, Alexr., s. of John Neild, N.
Feb. 19, Richd., s. of Edwd. Wroe, N.
- 1625, May 15, Geo., s. of Adam Holland, N.
May 15, Abigail, d. of Adam Hall, N.

- 1625, June 24, Ellin, d. of Thos. Smith, N.
 Thos., s. of Robarte Goodyear, N.
 Sep. 11, Anne, d. of Samul Lorte, N.
 Sep. 18, Marye, d. of Wm. Dison, N.
- 1625-6, Jan. 22, Marye, d. of Randle Grundie, N.
 Jan. 29, Henrie, s. of Jeffrey Kirshawe, N.
 Feb. 19, Jeremye, s. of John Hartley, N.
 Mar. 12, Suzan, d. of John Ogden, N.
- 1626, Ap. 9, Geo., s. of Adam Hollande the elder, N.
 May 28, Anne, d. of Robarte Bowker, N.
 June 18, Alice, d. of Raphe Johnsonn, N.
 July 8, Thos., s. of John Glover, N.
 Oct. 8, Mary, d. of Samuel Smith, F.
 Dec. 24, John, son of John Bewrdsell, N.
 Dec. 24, Jas., s. of Edmund Houlte, N.
- 1626-7, Jan. 6, Marye, d. of Ewen Hollinworth, N.
 Jan. 14, Jas., s. of Jas. Scoaffield, N.
 Jan. 21, Elizth., d. of Adam Holland, N.
 Jan. 28, John, s. of John Mosse, N.
 Mar. 18, ffrances, d. of Thos. Smithe, N.
- 1627, Julye 29, Marye, d. of Robart Colens, N.
 Aug. 11, Sara, d. of John Jackesson, N.
 Oct. 20, John and Sara, s. and d. of Jas. Kempe, N.
 Oct. 21, John, s. of Richd. Heape, N.
 Dec. 9, John, s. of John Buerdsell, N.
 Dec. 30, Anne, d. of Raphe Smith, F.
- 1627-8, Jan. 13, Elizth., d. of John Hartley, N.
 Feb. 17, Elizth., d. of John Beursell, N.
 Mar. 3, John, s. of Adam Holland, N.
- 1628, Aug. 10, Saml., s. of Robarte Bowker, N.
 Aug. 24, Jane, d. of Adam Holland, N.
 Sep. 21, Jas., s. of Wm. Dyson, N.
 Oct. 5, Anna, d. of Raphe Hodgkinson, N.
 Nov. 30, Margt., d. of Jas. Bewrdsell, N.
 Dec. 26, Geo., s. of Wm. Hodgkinsonne, N.
 Dec. 27, Jas., s. of Jas. Heaton, N.
- 1629, Ap. 1, Sarah, d. of John Ogden, N.
 Aug. 13, Sara, d. of Adam Holland, sen., N.
 Oct. 25, Ellnor, d. of Adam Boardman, N.
 Nov. 1, Joseph, s. of Jas. Scoffield, N.
 Nov. 28, Alice, d. of Robarte Clough, N.
 Nov. 29, Elizth., d. of Abraham Scoffield, N.
 Nov. 29, Samuel, s. of Raphe Smith, F.
- 1629-30, Feb. 21, Adam, s. of Jas. Bewrdsall, N.
 1630, May 15, Adam, s. of Adam Holland, N.

- 1630, May 23, Jas., s. of Samll. Lorte, N.
June 6, Elizth., d. of John Bewrdsall, N.
June 20, John, s. of Wm. Pendlebury, N.
Aug. 8, Marye, d. of Jas. Kempe, N.
Aug. 8, Anne, d. of Randle Kempe, N.
Sept. 13, Samll., s. of Adam Holland, N., gent.
- 1630-1, May 20, Mary, d. of Samuel Smith, F.
1631, Aug. 6, Mary, d. of Robt. Clough, N.
1634-5, Jan. 18, Elizth., d. of John Baguley, N.
1636, Mar. 26, Richd., s. of John Smith, N.
Dec. 30, John, s. of John Clough, N.
- 1636-7, Jan. 28, Josua, s. of Samuel Smith, F.
1637, Sep. 9, Margt., d. of Robarte Clough, F.
Dec. 9, Martha, d. of Raphe Smith, F.
- 1637-8, Jan. 14, Adam, s. of Adam Smith, F.
Jan. 14, John, s. of John Baguley, N.
- 1639-40, Jan. 5, Martha, d. of Adam Smith, F.
Mar. 8, Sarah, d. to John Baguley, N.
- 1640, Mar. 29, Jeremie, s. to John Berrie, N.
Mar. 29, Anne, d. to Robt. Baguley, N.
Nov. 28, Mary, d. of Raphe Smith, F., junior.
- 1640-1, Jan. 30, Richd., s. of Robt. Cloughe, N.
- 1641, Ap. 18, Suzanna, d. of John Baguley, N.
Sep. 4, Benj., s. of Robt. Bowker of Scotland in N.
- 1641-2, Jan. 5, Mary, d. of Adam Smith, F.
- 1642-3, Mar. 5, Ellin, d. of John Boardman, N.
Mar. 5, Deborah, d. of Stephen Shawcrosse of Grindlow.
- 1643-4, Jan. 14, Ester, d. of Adam Smith, F.
- 1644, Dec. 26, Wm., s. of John Hartley, N., yeoman.
- 1645, Ap. 20, Edwd., s. of Roger Beswick, Kīrkmanshulme.
- 1646, May 10, Geo., s. of John Baguley, N.
- 1648, Ap. 1, Joseph, s. of Adam Smith, F.
- 1649, Nov. 4, Thomas, s. of Thos. Smith, B.
- 1659, June 11, Mary, d. of Mr. John Davies of Manch., clerk, born at Moston Hall, was bapt. at Newton Chapel.
- 1660, Oct. 14, Sarah, d. to James Caylow, was bapt. at Newton Chapel.
- 1664, Aug. 5, Mary, d. to John Kennion, N., whitster, bap. at N.
- 1751, Aug. 25, George, son of George Tomlinson of Newton Lane, schoolmaster, and Anna, his wife.
- 1761, Sep. 6, James, s. of Jonⁿ Makin, N. Lane, collier.

BURIALS AT MANCHESTER.

THOSE who are interested and desire fuller information respecting Newton Chapelry families will have to remember that Oldham, Ashton, and Blackley, were sometimes resorted to, and in later years (when the Collegiate Churchyard became over-full and Manchester churches were more numerous) St. Anne's, St. Mary's, and St. John's, Manchester, and St. Thomas', Ardwick, were resorted to by many families. The Baptismal Registers at St. Thomas', for instance record :—

1741, May 17, Philip, son of Philip Antrobus of Bradford.

1744 June 3, John, son of Philip Antrobus of Bradford.

1745-6, Feb. 9, Benjamin, son of Benjamin Bagshaw, Nueton Lane.

The following extracts from the Manchester Burial Registers cover the period preceding the earliest Newton Registry, as well as the period of that Register, and are taken from the Owen MSS. They are, however, only selections, and are not exhaustive, nor do they include Droylsden and Moston entries.

1575, May 28, Jane, wid. to — Bowker of Bradford.

1577, Apr. 8, Thos. Andrew of ffailsworth.

1578, May 4, Elline, wid. to Richd. Hale of Newton.

1578-9, Jan. 27, —, son to Adam Holland of N.

Feb. 7, James Hoult of N., householder.

1581, Sep. 26, Anne, w. to Robt. Hulme of N.

1584, Dec. 31, Robt. Hulme of N.

1584-5, Feb. 21, Chas. Beswicke of F.

1585, Mar. 26, Jane, y^e d. to Ric. P'syvall of Grindlowe.

Mar. 31, John fletcher of Bradford.

1586, May 24, Geo. Hollingworth of N.

Julie 14, John Hall of Clayton mylne.

1587, Apr. 17, Robt. Cloughe of Clayton myll.

1587-8, Jan. 28, Randle Kenneyon of K.

1588, June 23, Adam Ouldham of Newton Lane, hous.

July 30, Geo. Parcyvall of Grindlowe, hous.

1589 Oct. 25, Robt. Bowker, drowned at Shooter's Brook.

1589-90, Jan. 25, Roger Kenyon of Kirkmanshulme.

1591, Aug. 30, Robt. Marler, an old man of K.

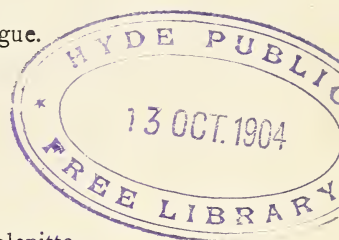
1592-3, Feb. 2, John [Joan], wid. of Geo. Kenyon of Grindlowe

1593, Ap. 13, John Grindlowe of Grindlowe, hous.

Oct. 9, Thos. Reddyshe of N., of the age of 104 years.

1594, Dec. 13, John Gillian of Clayton mylne, hous.

- 1597-8, Jan. 1, Hughe Hope of Bradford.
 Jan. 27, Thos. Clayton of Clayton mylne.
 1598, Oct. 22, an infant of Geo. Parsyvall of fforty acres.
 1598-9, Mar. 3, Henry, s. to Chas. Bexwicke of Lymside.
 1600, Sep. 4, Ric., s. to Wm. Bowker of Bradford mylne.
 1603, Julie 1, Jas. Chowerton of Bradford.
 1604, Mar. 29, Cisley Chorlton of B.
 Ap. 17, Elliz Hoope of B.
 1605, Aug. 1, a child of Hugh Kenion of K.
 Aug. 22, Raphe Hall of N.
 Aug. 24, Hugh Kennion of Kirdmanshulme.
 1605-6, Jan. 26, John Whitworthe of N., not of the plague.
 1606, Aug. 1, Otes Boardman of N.
 Oct. 7, Jas., s. of John Sutcliffe of Bradford.
 1607, July 4, Raphe Taylier of Claton myll.
 1608, Dec. 12, Jane, d. to Chas. Beswick of F.
 1609, July 16, y^e wid. of Richd. Bexwicke of K.
 Aug. 31, Edmund Sharpalls al. flogg of N.
 1609-10, Feb. 1, Geo. Bowker of B., mylner.
 1610-1, Mar. 2, Leonard Harrison, hurte in Bradford Colepitt.
 1611, May 11, Thos. Kenyon of K., slayne.
 Sep. 10, Alice, wid. to Edwd. Chadwicke of Ratchdale, and dyed
 at F.
 Dec. 14, Jas. Massie of Shooterbrucke, hous.
 1612, July 23, Henrie Travis of Cleaton milne.
 1612-3, Jan. 24, Mary, d. to Thos. Hope of B.
 1613, Sep. 30, Anne, y^e w. of Richd. Hope of B.
 1615, Aug. 28, Margaret, widdowe of Adam Smith, F.
 1617, May 12, Suzanna, wife of Raphe Smith, F.
 1618, July 9, —, d. of Adam Smith, F.
 Sep. 4, John, s. of Hugh Smith, N.
 1619, May 30, Ann, wife of Raphe Smith, F.
 July 29, John, s. of John Smith, N.
 1619-20, Jan. 24, Raphe Smith, F.
 1621, July 25, Elizabeth, d. of Thos. Smith of Newton.
 1622, Nov. 21, ffancis Taylor of Bradford, killed with a fall into y^e
 coalepitt.
 Nov. 29, Daniel, s. of Samuel Smith, F.
 1624, May 2, Elizth., w. of John Smith, F., buried at Oldham,
 26 April, 1624.
 May 13, Suzanna, d. of Raphe Smith, F., drowned.
 Sep. 17, Raphe Smith, F.
 1624-5, Feb. 12, John Smythe, N.
 1626, Ap. 26, Ellen, d. of Thos. Smith, N.
 1626-7, Jan. 16, Widow Smith, N.



- 1627, Oct. 26, Mary, d. of Samuel Smith, F.
 1628, Sep. 28, Elizth., d. of Raphe Smith, F.
 1631-2, Mar. 10, Margt., w. of Hugh Smith, N.
 1633-4, Jan. 27, Saml., s. of Raphe Smith, F.
 1639-40, Feb. 13, John, s. of Thos. Smith, N.
 1640, May, 5, Mary, d. of Chas. Nuttall, F.
 July 13, Samuel Smythe, F.
 1641, Ap. 29, Alice, wife of Charles Nuttall, F.
 1643, Aug. 8, Margt., wid. of Nicholas Baguley, N., yeoman.
 1644, July 9, Adam Smythe, F.
 1644-5, Mar. 16, Mary, d. of Adam Smith, F.
 1645, Dec. 11, Rebecca, w. of Francis Hulme, N.
 1646 July 30, Samuel Cloughe, F.
 1646-7, Mar. 9, Richd. Whitworth senior, N., yeoman.
 1647, Sep. 10, James Baguley, N.
 1648, July 15, Ann, d. of Thos. Smith, N.
 1650, Aug. 10, Jane, wife to Wm. Cloughe of F.
 1651-2, Feb. 12, Susan, wife to Robt. Bowker of Scotland in Newton.
 Feb. 17, John, son to Richd. Hollingworth of Newton, Minister.
 1652-3, Jan. 3, Raphe Kenion of Newton.
 Mar. 2, Richd. Whitworth of Newton, yeoman.
 Mar. 8, Kath., wife to Robt. Baguley of N., yeom.
 1653, Oct. 2, John Wroe of N., yeom.
 June 10, Mary, dau. to John Whittaker of N., yeom.
 Sept. 6, Robt. Bowker of Scotland in Newton.
 1653-4, Jan. 3, John Gilliam of N., Esq.
 Nov. 29, Robt. Baguley of Newton, yeom.
 1654-5, Mar. 5, John Whitworth of Newton, yeoman.
 1655, Ap. 27, Frances, wife to Richd. Whitworth of N., yeoman.
 July 2, George Holland of N., yeoman.
 Nov. 21, Adam Holland of F., yeoman.
 1655-6, Mar. 7, George Hulme of N., yeoman.
 1656, Apr. 4, Elizth., wife to John Cloughe, of F.
 July 22, Wm. Duckenfield, gent., deceased at Bradford.
 Sept. 4, John Cloughe of F., yeom.
 1656-7, Mar. 6, Ales, wife to Adam Holland of Hulme Hall in Newton,
 gent.
 1657, Apr. 14, Richd., son to Edward Wroe of N., senr.
 June 24, Nathaniel, son of Raphe Smith of F., yeoman.
 Sept. 25, Robt. Cloughe of N.
 1658, May 7, Thomas Smith of Newton.
 May 22, Kath., wife to Geo. Holland of N., yeom.
 1659, July 4, Alice, wife of Adam Smith of F.
 1660-1, Feb. 2, Edwd. Wroe of Scotland in N., yeom.
 1661-2, Jan. 16, Thos., son of John Hilton, slaine at Bradford Coal pitt.

- 1662-3, Feb. 28, James Hall of N., clerke.
 1663, July 2, Joan, d. of John Smith of F.
 Sep. 11, John Smith of N.
 1663-4, Jan. 27, Isabell Whitworth of N., widow.
 1664, Nov. 10, Thomas Greene, slaine at Bradford Coal pitt.
 1665, Apr. 12, Elizth. Charnock of Bradford, gentlewoman.
 1666, Aug. 2, Richd., s. of John Smith of Bradford.
 1666-7, Jan. 21, Ann, d. of Raphe Smith of F.
 Mar. 16, John, s. of George Smith of F.
 1667-8, Jan. 1, Thos. Bowker of Bradford, junior.
 1668-9, Feb. 10, Mary, d. to Edwd. Wroe of Newton, gent.
 1670, Ap. 23, Christoper Edmundson, mercer, deced^d at Kilshaw Hall
 in Newton.
 1671, Ap. 23, Alice Smith of N., widow.
 July 2, Joan, d. of Raphe Smith of F.
 1671-2, Feb. 15, Jas. Baguley of N., yeom.
 1672, June 30, Saml., s. to Daniel Leach of F.
 Nov. 11, John Holland of N., gent.
 Nov. 26, Samuel Smith of F., yeoman.
 Dec. 10, Elizth., d. to Edwd. Charnock of B.
 1672-3, Jan. 31, Elizth., d. to John Clough of F.
 Mar. 4, Mary, d. of Raphe Smith of Failsworth.
 1673, May 30, John, s. of Elizth. Cudworth and John Smith of Bradford.
 1674, Dec. 8, Thos. Holland, late of N., Clerke, decd. in Oldham par.
 1674-5, Feb. 10, Hannah, w. to T. Holl^d, late of N. (he died at Oldham)
 1675, Oct. 13, Jenny, w. to John Clough of F.
 1676, Nov. 16, John Eller of Openshaw, slaine with a gun at Newton
 Coale pit.
 1676-7, Jan. 1, John [Joan] Smith of Newton, widow.
 Mar. 12, Ann, w. of Daniel Leech of F.
 1677-8, Jan. 30, Eliz. Smith of F., widow.
 1678, Mar. 26, Edwd. Morris, slaine at Newton Coale pit by damp.
 1678-9, Jan. 28, Abigail, w. to Jas. Baguley of N.
 1680, Jan. 29, Jas., s. to Edwd. Wroe of N., gent.
 1684, Mar. 28, Christr. Wrightson of N.
 1685, June 20, Jas. Holland of Hulme Hall in N., gent.
 Aug. 14, Peter, s. to Peter Drinkwater of N.
 1687, Oct. 4, Elizth., d. to Edwd. Wroe of N.
 1688, Dec. 15, Edwd., s. to Thos. Tilsley of Bradford.
 1691, Apr. 17, Rowland Wrightson of N.
 1700, May 31, Mary, w. of Joseph Hill of N.
 July 6, Ann, w. of Lawrence Lees of M., bur. at N. Chap.
 1704, July 26, Mary, d. to Mr. Edwd. Roe, late of N.
 1711, Apr. 1, Elizth. Wrightson of Newt. Heath, widow.
 1712, Sep. 11, Mr. Jno. Wroe of N.

- 1717, Aug. 28, John, s. to Thos. Hope of Bradf.
 1719, Dec. 12, Alice, d. to Thos. Hoope of Bradford.
 1724, Oct. 12, Hester, d. to Anthony Hyde of Bradford.
 1725, Ap. 18, Mary, w. to Robt. Boardman of N.
 Nov. 30, Robt. Hartley of N.
 1727-8, Mar. 7, Betty, d. of John Coppock, N.
 1728-9, Jan. 12, Sarah, d. of John Bealey, N.
 1730-1, Jan. 28, Ellin, w. to Jno. Holt of N.
 1731-2, Mar. 7, Geo., s. to John Bennett of Bradford.
 1732, Dec. 24, Gilliam, s. to Mr. John Graves of Culcheth.
 1733, Dec. 7, Elizth., w. to the late Robt. Hartley of N.
 1735-6, Feb. 2, Alexr. Radcliffe, Esq., of N. Heath.
 1736, July 21, Elizth., w. of Thos. Hope of Bradford.
 1737, Sep. 16, John Bayley, Bradford.
 1739, Oct. 8, John Greaves of Culcheth, Esq.
 1740-1, Feb. 26, Alice, d. of John Smith of Bradford.
 1744, June 23, John Fletcher of Newton.
 1749, Ap. 25, Wm., s. of James Hope of Bradford.
 1751, Aug. 15, Thos., s. of the late John Greaves of Culcheth.
 1784, Dec. 24, Philip, s. of Philip Antrobus [of Bradford], aged 10 months.
 1792, June 11, Alice, wife of Philip Antrobus, aged 36.
 1795, Dec. 28, James, s. of Philip Antrobus.

Mr. Owen's *MSS.* also give the following extracts from a Minute Book at the Collegiate Church:—

- 1754, Mar. 12, Jane, wife of the late Joseph Greaves of Culcheth, bur.
 1758, Mar. 25, James Low of Bradford, bur.
 1778, Aug. 9, James Hope of Bradford, widower, bur., aged 78.
 1832, Nov. 15, Sarah, widow of the late Nicholas Sheppard of Newton near Collyhurst, age 62 buried, dau. of the late John Mansure.

WILLS, ETC., AT CHESTER.

To supplement the foregoing extracts from the Newton and Manchester Registers, the following list of Wills proved at Chester has been compiled from the volumes published by the Lancashire and Cheshire Record Society.

For this purpose the entry "Newton" has been treated as signifying Newton Heath near Manchester, although in many cases some one of the numerous other Newtons in one or other of the counties may be meant.

In Cheshire there are at least nine Newtons:—(1) Newton near Middlewich; (2) Newton in Mottram; (3) Newton near

Prestbury; (4) Newton-cum-Larton; (5) Newton near Tattenhall; (6) Newton near Frodsham; (7) Newton near Daresbury; (8) Newton near Malpas; (9) Newton near Chester.

In Lancashire, besides Newton Heath and Newtown in Clifton, &c., there were :—(1) Newton-in-Mackerfield, otherwise Newton-le-Willows; (2) Newton-with-Hardhorn; (3) Newton-with-Scales. There were other Newtons in North Lancashire, but from those places Wills were generally proved at Richmond in Yorkshire.

This list of Wills is not exhaustive. In many instances persons loosely described themselves, or were described in their Wills, as of Manchester, if resident within the ancient parish. In some cases Wills would be proved in the Canterbury Registry. The list may however to some extent simplify a search by those who are specially interested in any particular Newton family. Similar lists will be found in the Failsworth, Bradford, and Kirkmanshulme sections (*post*).

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| <p>Ainsworth, Alice, of N., 1727 (<i>infra</i>), <i>i.e.</i> under £40 personalty; Mary of N., admn. with Inventory, 1663 (<i>infra</i>).
 Allanson, Edw., of N., Clerk, 1733.
 Alred, John, of N., 1727.
 Amson, Zachariah, of N., gent., 1738.
 Ashton, Henry, of N., adm. 1691; Henry of N., 1713; John of N., 1680.
 Arnold, Jas., of N., yeom., limited adm., 1794.
 Bacon, Thos., of N., 1674.
 Bagshaw, Geo., of Newton, Manchr., blksmith., 1717 (<i>infra</i>).
 Baguley, Ann, of N., 1625; Ann, of N., par. Manch., wid., 1665; James, of N., par. Manch., 1624, Inv. 1625. Bagga-ley, John, of N., near Manch., adm. with Inv., 1690 (<i>infra</i>). Baguley, Nicholas, of N., par. Manch., yeoman, 1558 (Enrolment Book, i., 146 <i>b</i>).
 Bailey (Bayley), Joseph, of N., adm. 1728.
 Ball, John, of N., yeom., 1697; Richd., of N., innkeeper, adm. with Inv., 1718.
 Barker, Ellenor, of N., nunc. Will., 1681.
 Elizth., of N., adm. 1715; Henry, of N., nuncupative Will., 1672; John, of</p> | <p>N., gent., adm. 1743; Wm., of N., 1683.
 Barnes (Burne), Geo., of N., par. Manch., 1604.
 Barrett, Thos., of N., adm. 1786 (<i>infra</i>).
 Barrow, Danl., of N., husbdm., adm. 1781.
 Bateson, Chas. of N., par. Manch., yeom., 1650.
 Baxter, Chas., of N., maltster, adm. 1743; Thos. of N., par. Manch., whitesmith, 1639.
 Bayley (Bailey), Hester, of N., wid., adm. 1742.
 Beckett, Geo., of N., gent., 1728; Saml., of N., gent., adm. 1733.
 Bennett, Anne of N., wid., 1714; Peter, of N., yeom., 1703; Thos. of N., 1679; Thos., of N., adm., 1706.
 Beresford, Thos., of N., in Manch., carrier, adm. 1759.
 Berry (Bury), Ralph, of Newton, Manchr., husbdm., 1702 (<i>infra</i>).
 Beswick, Edwd., of N., par. Manch., yeom., adm. 1783.
 Boardman (Bordman), Alice, of N., adm. 1789; Cath., of N., spinster, 1730; Edmd., of N., adm. with Inv., 1670;</p> |
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- Elizth., of N., wid., 1706; Frances, of N., nr. Manch., wid., 1685 (*infra*); Hugh, of N., par. Manch., Inv. 1634; James, of N., yeom., adm. with Inv. 1710; of N. in Manch., 1739-40 (*infra*); John, of N., Manch., yeom., 1719, (*infra*); John, of N., gent., 1780; Robt., of N., whitster, adm. with Inv. 1710 (*infra*); of N., whitster, 1735; Robt. of Newt. Lane, par. Manch., linen weaver, 1775.
- Booth, Henry, of N., adm. with Inv., 1729-30 (*infra*).
- Bostock, Margt., of N., 1675; Richd., of N., adm. 1683.
- Bowker, Anne, of N., 1714; Elizth., of N., 1611; John, of N., adm., 1684; John, of N., 1716.
- Bradley, Susan, of N., wid., Inv. 1625; Thomas, of N., yeom., 1800.
- Bradshaw, Adam, of N., 1756.
- Brecks, Thos., of N., par. Manch., inn-keeper, 1773.
- Broadhurst, Jonⁿ, of N., jersey comber, adm. 1725.
- Brown, John, of N., adm. with Inv., 1726; Wm., of N., weaver, adm. 1728; Wm., of N., yeom., 1722; Wm., of N., yeom., 1726.
- Brownsword, John, of N., adm. 1670; Thos., of N., adm. 1670.
- Bruch, Thos., of N., adm. with Inv. 1687.
- Buckley, James, of N., adm. with Inv. 1704.
- Buerdsell, Robt., of N., 1621; Robt., of N., 1698.
- Burgess, Joseph, of N., yeom., 1741.
- Burne (Barne), Richd., of N., par. Manch., 1590, bundle A.
- Burrows, Saml., of N., yeom., 1743.
- Butler, Edwd., of N., husbdm., adm. 1756.
- Butterworth, Jas. of N. in Manch., carrier, 1678 (*infra*); Nich., of N. within Manch., 1780 (*infra*).
- Buxton, John, of N., co. Lanc., Inv. 1635; John, of N., adm. 1646.
- Carnell, John, of N., adm. 1728; John, of N., yeom., 1729; John, of N., yeom., adm., 1729.
- Cauldwell, Martha, of N., wid., 1750.
- Chaddock (Chadwick); Thos. of N., 1670.
- Chandler, Chrstr., of N., co. Lanc., yeom., adm. with Inv. 1688 (*infra*).
- Charnley, Jane, of N., co. Lanc., wid., 1695 (*infra*).
- Chatterton, Kath., of N., Inv. 1632; Alleg. and Dep., 1632-3, in Dioc. Reg.
- John, of N., yeom., adm. 1718.
- Chesshyre, Jane, of N., par. Manch., spinster, adm. 1767.
- Chetham, John, of N., 1699; Lawrence, sen., of N., yeom., 1719.
- Chew, John, of N., adm., yeom., 1729.
- Clare, John, late of N., 1745-6 (*infra*); Randle, of N., 1680.
- Clark, Elizth., of N., wid., adm. with Inv., 1733; Geo., of N., adm. 1698.
- Clarke, *al.* Tyrer, Alice, of N., adm. 1683.
- Clayton, Wm., of N., 1620.
- Clegge, Hester, of N., adm. 1691; Joseph, of N., adm. 1705; Joseph, of Newt. Heath, adm. 1749 (*infra*).
- Cleveland, John, of N., adm. 1646.
- Clutterbuck, Ellen, of N., wid., 1719.
- Cobham, Mary, of N., wid., adm. 1750 (*infra*).
- Collier, Ellen, of N., adm. with Inv. 1678; James, of N., gent., 1673, John, of N., 1739; Nathan, of N., 1699.
- Cook, Chas., of N., yeom., 1735; Cook, *al.* Pott, Elizth., of N., adm. 1750; Jas., of N., carpenter, 1784; Richd., of N., adm. with Inv., 1671; Robt., of N., yeom., adm. 1718.
- Cooper, John, of N., Inv. 1639; Nich., of N., Inv. 1676 (*infra*).
- Cork, Mary, of N., widow, adm. 1774.
- Crowther, Ralph, of N., blksmith., 1632.
- Culcheth, Elizth., of N., 1698.
- Dean, Francis, of N., yeom., adm. with Inv. 1726; Wm., of N., Inv. 1625.
- Deplich, Ralph, of N., adm. with Inv. 1681; Thos., of N., yeom., 1715.
- Dickinson, James, of N., yeom., 1735; John, of N., minor, adm. 1738.
- Dober, Ellen, of N., spinster, 1664 (*infra*).
- Done, Richd., of N., adm. 1716.
- Downes, Ann, of N., adm. with Inv. 1677; John, of N., 1676.
- Dumbell, John, of N., 1728; Richd., of N., 1674.
- Duncalf, Ellinor, of N., wid., adm. 1747.
- Dunkerley, Jas., of N., yeom., 1731.
- Dutton, Peter, of N., adm. 1681.
- Eden, John, of N., 1680; John, of N., gent., 1706; Math., of N., adm. with

- Inv. 1712; Peter, of N., apothecary, adm. 1735; Peter, of N., chandler, 1727; Thos., of N., adm. with Inv. and accts. 1673.
Edon, Anne, of N., co. Lanc., wid., adm. with Inv. 1696 (*infra*).
- Fallows, Jonⁿ, of N., 1783.
Farrar, Elizth., of N., wid., 1722.
Fawkins, John, of N., yeom., 1760.
Fearnhead, Richd., of N., gent., 1698.
Fearnhead, Jas., of the town of Newton [by Winwick?] waggoner, 1775.
Fearn, Geo., of N., yeom., 1798.
Fildes, John, of N., yeom., adm. 1749.
Fleming, John, of N., co. Lanc., yeom., Inv. 1661.
Fletcher, James, of N., hatter, adm. 1750; Jas., of N., 1782 (*infra*); Rebecca, of N., spinster, 1749; Richd., of N., yeom., 1718; Wm., of N., par. Manch., 1631.
Fogg, *al.* Sharples, Edw., of N., par. Manch., 1609.
Forshaw, Henry, of N., 1782; Thos., of Newt. Common, husbandman, 1790.
Forth, Richd., of N., chapman, adm. with Inv. 1699.
Frances, John, of N., adm. with Inv., 1680.
Garter, Richd., of N., yeom., 1732.
Gaskell, Peter, of N., tanner, 1696.
Gatley, Jas., of N., auditor, adm. 1757.
Gee, Geo., of N., par. Manch., clk., 1636; Geo., of N. Heath, clk., Inv. 1638.
Gerard, Henry, of N., Inv. 1622.
Gest, John, of N., 1598.
Gilliam, Anne, of N., co. Lanc., wid., 1665.
Gleave, Wm., of N., yeom., adm. 1798.
Gloucester, Wm., of N. [near Chester?], mariner, adm. 1759.
Goodier, Thos., of N., tanner, 1729.
Goodyear, Samuel, of N., gent., 1782.
Gradill, Richd., of N., 1621.
Green, Jas., of N., yeom., 1726.
Gresty [Gresty?], Mary, of N., spinster, adm. 1779 (*infra*).
Griffith, Robert, of N., 1688; Robt., of N., M. D., 1720 [near Chester?]; Thos., of N., yeom., 1778.
Grimshaw, John, of N., tailor, 1718.
- Hadfield, Moses, of N., par. Manch., gent., 1784.
- Hall, Adam, of N., par. Manch., 1627; Alice, of N., 1678; Geoffrey, of N., 1595, bundle A; Hugh, of N., par. Manch., 1616; Richd., of N., 1686; Thos., of N., par. Manch., bricklayer, adm., 1776.
Hancock, Alice, of N., adm. 1670.
Handforth, John, of N., 1674; Richd. of N., Inv. 1603; Wm. of N., adm. with Inv. 1705.
Handley, Robt., of N., par. Manch., 1611.
Harding, Jas., of N., 1682.
Harrison, John, of N., 1677.
Hassall, Wm., of N., yeom., 1714.
Hasleden, Josh., of N., Skinner, adm. with Inv., 1696.
Hayward, John, of N., yeom., adm. with Inv. 1743.
Heaward, Elizth., of N., 1724.
Heawood, Robt., of N., 1699.
Hey, Robt., of N., 1682.
Heys, Ann, of N., spinst., adm. 1750 (*infra*).
Heywood, Thos., of N., linen weaver, 1725.
Higgins, Wm., of N., yeom., adm. 1743.
Hodgkinson, Peter, of N., yeom., 1714.
Holcroft, Thos., of N. [by Winwick?] Esq., 1708.
Holford, John, of N., dyer, 1752.
Holland, Adam, of N., par. Manch., 1624, Inv. 1625; Adam, of N., par. Manch., yeom., 1633; Elizth., of N., par. Manch., wid., 1630; Geo., of N., par. Manch., 1615; Jas., of N., gent., 1685.
Holt (Hoult), Joan of N., Manch., yeom., 1689 (*infra*); John, of N., chapman, 1761; Joseph, of N., mercht., adm., 1788.
Hornby, Richd., of N., co. Lanc., yeom., 1661.
Hough, John, of N., carpenter, 1792; John, of N., yeom., 1795 (*infra*).
Houghton, Ann, of N., wid., 1756; Ellen, of N., 1677; John, of N., 1671; John, of N., farmer, 1793; Thos., of Newton Hall, maltster, 1791; Wm., of N., yeom., 1730.
Hoult (Holt), Henry, of N., par. Manch., yeom., 1711 (*infra*).
Hughes, John, of N., 1685.
Hulme, Jas., of N., 1679.
Hulton, Ellen, of N., 1752.
Humphries, Wm., of N., Inv., 1637.
Hurleston, Chas., of N., Esq., 1734.

- Jackson, James, of N., in Manch., shoemaker, 1685 (*infra*); Jas. of N., ale-draper, 1725; John, of N., in Manch., shoemaker, 1676 (*infra*); John, of N., cordwainer, 1718.
- Jannion, Ada, of N., 1727; Dorothy, of N., wid., 1711; Robt., of N., yeom., adm., with Inv., 1714.
- Johnson, Henry, of N., yeom., 1727; Jas., of N., tapeweaver, adm., 1738; John, of N., Inv., 1639; John, of N., 1718; Joseph, of N., par. Manch., whitster, 1768; Math., of N., 1701; Raph, of N., in Manch., husbandman, 1683 (*infra*); Richd., of N., adm. with Inv., 1718.
- Keel, Henry, of N., tailor, adm. with Inv., 1703; Hugh, of N., adm. 1702; Rachael, of N., wid., 1715.
- Kemp, Thos., of N., 1626; Thos., sen., of N., yeom., 1698; Thos., of N., chapman, 1720; Thos. of N., 1721.
- Kennerley, John, of N., 1705; John, of N., yeom., lim., adm. with Will, 1793.
- Kenyon, Elizth., of N., wid., 1622; Kenion, Henry, of N., 1702; Kenyon, John, of N., par. Manch., 1620; Kennyan, Mary, of N., spinster, 1759.
- Langton, Sir. Thos., of N., Knt. 1569.
- Latham, John, of N., 1590.
- Lathbury, Richd., of N., gent., 1792.
- Lawton, James, of N., clerk, 1702; Thos., of N., 1688.
- Leech, Joseph, of N., chapman, 1698; Joseph, of Newton Lane, in Manch., 1792.
- Lingard, John, of N., par. Manch., chapm., 1768.
- Litler, Ann, of N., wid., 1632.
- Lort, John, of N., par. Manch., 1620.
- Lowe, Elizabeth, of N., spinster, 1752; Ellen, of N., 1680; Low, Jane, of N., wid., 1717; Lowe, Robt., of N., 1679; Robt., of N., Esq., 1767.
- Maddock, Geo., of N. [Winwick?] yeom., 1721; Jas., of N., yeom., adm. with Inv., 1704; Wm., of N., adm. 1714.
- Maddocks, Cath., of N., wid., adm. 1722.
- Mainwaring, Saml., of N., yeom., 1727.
- Massey, Wm., of N., gent., adm. 1724; Ditto, 1734.
- Mather, Nich., of N., yeom., adm. 1743; Saml., of N., 1743; Thos., of N., innkeeper, adm. 1758; Wm., of N., yeom., 1777 (*infra*).
- Millington, Joseph, of N., 1695.
- Mills, Alex., of N., par. Manch., miller, 1664.
- Milner, Richd., of N., 1636; Richd., of N., 1684.
- Milton, Ralph, of N., Inv. 1663.
- Morrey, Kath., of N., wid., Inv. 1631.
- Morris, Henry, of N., yeom., adm. with Inv., 1723; Ralph, of N., co. Lanc., yeom., 1664; Richd., of N., 1608.
- Mottershead, Margt., of N., wid., adm. with Inv., 1699.
- Mounford, John, of N., par. Manch., 1823.
- Murray, *see* Morrey.
- Naylor, John, of N., yeom., 1732; Peter, of N., barber, adm. 1777 (*infra*); Philip, of N., clk., adm. 1738.
- Newton, Alex., of N., gent., 1617; Edmund, of N., par. Manch., gent., 1800; Geo., of N., 1581; Jane, of N., nuncup. Will., 1676; John, of N., Esq., adm. 1703.
- Norman, Thos., of N., co. Lanc., clk., 1649.
- Owen, Geo., of N., co. Lanc., husbdm., 1690 (*infra*).
- Parpoint, Richd., of N. [by Winwick?], hingemaker, 1726.
- Parr, Wm., of N., Inv. 1629.
- Parson, Elizth., of N., wid., 1800.
- Partington, John, of N., linen weaver, adm. 1729.
- Pearson, Immen, of N., co. Lanc., wid., adm. with Inv., 1685 (*infra*).
- Penkitt, Jane, of N., wid., 1709.
- Perkins, Wm., of N., husbdm., adm. with Inv., 1699.
- Phillips, Thos., of N., adm. with Inv., 1670.
- Pickmore, Ralph, of N., 1724.
- Platt, Daniel, of N., adm. with Inv., 1685; Danl., of N., linen webster, 1713; Isabell, of N., wid., adm. 1729; John, of N., yeom., adm. with Inv., 1733; Margt., of N., wid., 1728; Robt., of N., 1673.
- Pott, *al.* Clarke, Elizth., of N., adm. 1750.
- Potter, Thos., of N., adm. 1727.
- Pownall, Nathl., of N., weaver, adm. 1798 (*infra*).
- Probin, Bryan, of N., 1578; Edward, of

N., adm. with Inv. and accts., 1678;
Probyn, Hugh, of N., 1601; Inv. 1616;
Probin, Margt., of N., wid., 1620;
Proben, Randle, of N., Inv. 1622.
Pycroft, Edwd., of N., 1675.

Radcliffe, Alexr., of N. Heath, Esq., 1739.

Ratcliffe, Saml., of N., adm., 1732.

Rawlinson, *see* Rollinson, Rowlinson.

Reddish, Joseph, of N., adm. 1726.

Rhodes, Thos., of N. Lane, yeom., 1780.

Richardson, John, of N., adm. 1730; John,
of N., farmer, 1786; Robt., of N.,
yeom., 1765.

Rider (Ryder), Nicholas, of N., 1700.

Robinson, Richd., of N., 1673; Robt., of
N., par. Manch., husbdm., 1676 (*infra*).

Rollinson, John, of N., adm. with Inv.,
1682; Peter, of N., 1680; Thos., of N.,
1689.

Rothwell, James, of N., gent., adm. 1708;
Joseph, of N., whitster, adm. 1745.

Rowbotham, John, of N., linen weaver,
1698.

Rowe, Roger, of N., yeom., 1733.

Rowlinson, Harry, of N., co. Lanc.,
yeom., adm. 1647; Jane, of N., co.
Lanc., 1643.

Royle, John, of N., Inv. 1623; John, of
N., yeom., 1741.

Rutter, Hugh, of N., 1671; Hugh, of N.,
adm. de bonis non., &c., 1676; Randle,
of N., 1690.

Ryder (Rider), John, of N., 1597.

Rydiard, John, of N., 1681.

Ryland, Ann, of N., wid., 1727.

Sandiforth, John, of N., co. Lanc., brush-
maker, 1686 (*infra*).

Sandiford, Samuel, of N., in Manch.,
yeom., 1758; Susannah, of N., par.
Manch., spinster, 1765; Wm., of N.,
Manch., husbdm., adm. with Inv.,
1697 (*infra*).

Sandiforth, Wm., of N., 1679.

Sarratt, John, of N., yeom., 1718.

Savage, John, of N., gent., 1712.

Scholes, Thos., of N., in Manch., webster,
1698 (*infra*); Wm., of N., adm. 1727.

Scholefield, Joseph, of N., yeom., 1768.

Scholfield, Mary, of N., in Manch., spinner,
1675 (*infra*).

Sefton, Alice, of N., 1661 (*infra*); John,
of N., Inv. 1638.

Sharples, *al.* Fogg, Edw., of N., par.
Manch., 1609.

Sharples, Elizth., of N., 1620; Richd.,
of N., par. Manch., 1619; Richd., of
N., 1620.

Sharrocks, John, of N., Manch., webster,
1698 (*infra*).

Shepley, Thos., of N., par. Manch.,
linenweaver, 1785.

Shirrocks, John, of N., Manch., webster,
1721 (*infra*); Susannah, of N., wid.,
1721.

Siddall, James, of N., co. Lanc., Inv.
1669.

Simcock, John of N., adm. with Inv.,
1677.

Simpson, Ann, of N., spinster, 1757.

Sinister, Geo., of N., par. Manch., whitster,
1777; Jas., of N., par. Manch.,
whitster, 1777.

Skerratt, John, of N., gent., 1738; Wm.,
of N., gent. 1727.

Slater, John, of N., whitster, 1787.

Smallwood, Ann, of N., adm. with Inv.,
1680; Wm., of N., waller, adm. with
Will, 1783.

Smethurst, Ralph, of N., at his death of
Manch., whitster, 1774.

Smith, Edward, of N., Manch., weaver,
1714 (*infra*); George, of N., badger,
1711; Smith, Hugh, of N., 1618;
Hugh, of N., par. Manch., 1623.

Sommer, Elizth., of N., spinster, adm.
1739.

Sorocold, Geo., of N., adm. with Inv.,
1681; Wm., Peter, and Ellen, of N.,
tuition, 1680.

Southworth, Mary, of N., 1685; Peter,
of N., adm. 1682.

Spenser, John, of N., 1685.

Spencer, Wm., of N., maltster, adm. 1757.

Stanfield, Richd., of N., blksmith, adm.
1753.

Stansfield, John, of Newton moor, weaver,
adm. 1797.

Starkie, Richd., of N. [by Winwick?] 1618.

Stirrop, John, of N., 1702; Stirrup, Thos.,
senior, of N., yeom., 1707; Styrrup,
Thos., of N., adm. with Inv., 1727;
Stirrup, Thos., of N., innkeeper, 1745.

Strong, Elizth., of N., adm. 1718.

Strenger, Alice, of Newton Lane, par.
Manch., wid., 1783.

Sutton, Humphrey, of N., 1684; John,
of N., adm. with Inv., 1685.

Swinton, Elizth., of N., wid., 1700.

- Taylor, Henry, of N., 1730; John, of N., 1784 (*infra*); Joshua, of N. Lane, par. Manch., husbdm., 1772; Ralph, of N., 1721; Richd., of N., 1599.
- Tetlow, *al.* Wharmsley, par. of N., weaver, 1799.
- Thornley, John, of N., adm. with Inv., 1686; John, of N., yeom., adm. with Inv., 1719; John, of N. Lane, par. Manch., weaver, 1795; Robt., of N., husbdm., adm. with Inv., 1700.
- Thorpe, Geo., of N., 1620; Richd., of N., whitnor, adm. with Inv., 1718.
- Tomlinson, Geo., of Newt. Lane, Manch., weaver, 1779 (*infra*).
- Torkington, Henry, of N., adm. with Inv., 1687.
- Towers, Mary, of N., 1714.
- Townley, George, of N., farmer, 1775.
- Travers, John, of N., 1727; John, of N., 1727; Thomas, of N., 1742.
- Travis, Alice, of N. Heath, spinster, Inv., 1628.
- Turner, Cath., of N., 1673; Ellen, of N., 1676; Thos., of N., 1633.
- Twiss, Samuel, of N., shoemaker, 1741.
- Tyrer, *al.* Clarke, Alice, of N., adm. 1683.
- Urmston, John, of N., yeom., 1728.
- Venables, Peter, of N. [co. Chester?], publican, 1797 (*infra*).
- Walton, Richd., of N., Inv., 1623.
- Walwork, John, of N., adm. with Inv., 1729; John, of N., adm. de bonis non., 1731.
- Watts, John, of N., 1777.
- Welshman, John, of N. [by Chester?], Inv. 1623.
- Wettenhall, Roger, of N., 1704.
- Wharmsby, *al.* Tetlow, James, of Newton, weaver, 1799.
- Whitaker, Elizth., of N., spinster, 1761.
- Whittaker, John, of N., adm. with Inv., 1682.
- Whitehead, John, of N., innkeeper, 1800, "*(see 1837.)*"
- Whittingham, Humphrey, of N., adm. with Inv., 1673.
- Whitworth, Isabel, of N., par. Manch., wid., 1663; John, of N., co. Lanc., 1606; Ralph, of N., yeom., 1622; Ralph, of N., par. Manch., Inv. 1623; Alleg. 1630 in Dioc. Regy.; Richd., of N., par. Manch., yeom., 1589, bundle B; Richd., of N., 1622; Robt., of N., Inv. 1621.
- Wilkinson, John, of N., 1674; John, of N., adm. with Inv., 1702; Samuel, of N., yeom., 1725.
- Winstanley, James, of N., co. Lanc., adm. with Inv., 1691 (*infra*).
- Winterbotham, Elizth., of N., par. Manch., adm. 1766.
- Woods, Edward, of N., yeom., adm. 1740; Elizth., of N., wid., 1703; Henry, of N., yeom., 1729; Richd., of N., 1673.
- Woolley, George, of N., tailor, 1792; Martha, of N., wid., 1729; Wm., of N., cooper, adm. with Inv., 1719; Wm. of N., husbdm., 1729.
- Worrall, Joshua, of N., 1703.
- Worthington, Geo., of N., co. Lanc., 1665; John, of Newt. Lane, within Manch., yeom., 1769.
- Wrightson, Christ^r, of N., farmer, adm. 1708.
- Wrigley, Wm., of N., yeom., adm. 1799.
- Wroe, Edwd., of N., par. Manch., yeom., 1661; Edwd., of N., adm. 1703; Edwd., of N., gent., adm. 1704; John, of N., gent., 1722; Thos., of N., clk., 1731.
- Wyld, Robt., of N., adm. with Inv., 1690.
- Varsley, Edwd., of N., 1681.

PROTESTATION, 1641.

A VERY valuable Newton Chapelry Directory for 1641 is preserved in the House of Lords, in the record there of those who took the Protestation in that year. It may be usefully compared with the list of Newton Baptisms from 1651 to 1700 (*ante*), as showing the families then inhabiting the Newton Chapelry District and serves also as a check upon the foregoing

List of Wills, &c., at Chester, where the various Newtons are often not distinguished from each other.

The Protestation¹ was taken in obedience to a warrant of the Speaker of the House of Commons requiring all persons over eighteen years of age to bind themselves to maintain the true Protestant religion, expressed in the doctrine of the Church of England, against all Popery and Popish innovations, and in addition to maintain the powers and privileges of Parliament.

The Record reads as follows :—The names of such y^t tooke the Protestation in y^e Chappell of Newton Heath before the minister of y^t place and y^e officers belonging thereunto. 1641.

For Newton, Droylsden, Bradforth, Faylesworth, and Kidmanshoulme. [Mossen (Moston) is returned with Blakeley.]

Humfrey Barnet, cler.	21	James Hulme.	41	Jeremie Beurdsell.
Thomas Chetham, Esq.		John Whitworth.		Henry Buthe.
Robert Bageley.		John Shacklock, jr.		Edward Pycrofte.
George Holland.		James Holland.		George Hall.
5 Richard Whitworth, sr.	25	George Baggeley.	45	Samuel Hartley.
Richard Whitworth, jr.		Robert Clough.		Richard Heape.
Travers Chetham.		John Beswick.		Edward Ashton.
John Travis.		John Kenion.		John Clough.
John Shacklocke.		Robert Shepley.		Thomas Hall.
10 Edward Wroe.	30	Robert Bordman.	50	Hugh Andrew.
John Grimshall.		James Lightbowne.		John Taylor.
Raph Smith.		Richard Hulme.		Charles Batson.
Thomas Barron.		Joseph Holland.		Raph Hodgkinson.
George Thorpe.		Raph Pycroft.		James Kempe.
15 Ralph Marlow.	35	Christopher Writson.	55	Robert Hybbirt.
John Mosse.		Charles Walker.		John Baggeley.
John Ramsden.		James Shyltone.		Robert Glossop.
James Chorlton.		Richard Neyld.		James Cocke.
James Travis.		John Ramsden, junior.		George Beurdsell.
20 Thomas Hytchinson.	40	James Hall.	60	John Barnes.

¹ The Protestation agreed upon by Convocation on May 29, 1640, was as follows :—I A.B. do swear, That I do approve the Doctrine and Discipline or Government established in the Church of England, as containing all things necessary to salvation : And that I will not endeavour by myself or any other, directly or indirectly, to bring in any Popish Doctrine, contrary to that which is so established : nor will I ever give my consent to alter the Government of this Church by Archbishops, Bishops, Deans, and Arch-Deacons, etc., as it stands now established, and as by right it ought to stand ; nor yet ever to subject it to the temptations and superstitions of the Sea of Rome. And all these things I do plainly and sincerely acknowledge and swear, according to the plain and common sense and understanding of the same words, without any equivocation or mental evasion or secret reservation whatsoever. And this I do heartily willingly and truly upon the faith of a Christian. So help me God in Jesus Christ. (*Historical Collections.*)

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| 61 Robert Johnson.
Raph Clough.
James Clough.
John Thorpe. | 117 John Grundy.
Robert Gee.
Richard Mattley.
Edward Nield. | 173 James Andrew.
Nicholas Baggeley. |
| 65 Edward Bordman.
Robert Jackson.
Eliza Hope.
Joseph Wild.
John Wyrall. | 120 Joshua Barnet.
Adam Holland.
Nicholas Kemp.
James Baggeley. | 175 Edward Woods.
Samuel Loche.
James Beardsell.
James Ransley.
John Andrew, jun. |
| 70 John Hulme.
James Jackson.
Raph Bowker.
Thomas Bowker.
Thomas Kemp. | 125 James Beurdsell.
Robert Baggeley.
John Chaterton.
John Hardman.
Edward Chaterton. | 180 John Dison.
Robert Hulme.
Adam Hope.
Raph Taylor.
John Jackson. |
| 75 William Dison.
Samuel Smith.
Phillip Brooke.
Zacharie Kemp.
Othes Bordman. | 130 Robert Chorlton.
John Ogden.
Samuell Clayton.
John Thorpe.
Adam Morriss. | 185 Henry Taylor.
Samuel Jenkinson, jun.
Hercules Chadwicke.
Edward Bordman.
John Hall. |
| 80 John Bordman.
Samuel Hybbert.
Israell Odcroft.
John Jackson.
Daniell Lee. | 135 John Bury.
William Grindshall.
William Hall.
Samuell Jenkinson.
John Gilliam, sen. | 190 Thomas Worthington, jr.
John Beardsell.
Thomas fletcher.
John Parren.
Michael Kenion. |
| 85 George Ridway.
James Kemp, jun.
Richard Chorlton.
Lawrence Bordman.
Raph Kenion. | 140 John Gilliam, jun.
Adam Baggeley, sen.
Adam Baggeley, jun.
Thomas Pycroft.
Henry Taylor. | 195 John Busicke.
George Hyltone.
James Andrew, jun.
Thomas Harrison.
James Clough. |
| 90 George Kenion.
Richard Chaterton.
Nicholas Cooper.
Edmund Barnes.
Thomas Holland. | 145 James Hall.
Edward Odcrofte.
John Thorp.
John Wroe.
John Wright. | 200 John Clough.
Robert Kenion.
Edward Shacklocke.
Tobys Butterworth.
John Mossen. |
| 95 Samuel Kempe.
Robert Lees.
Robert Taylor.
Joseph Ashton.
Isaac Ashton. | 150 Richard Kenion.
Adam Hall.
George Chetham.
George Worthingtone.
Thomas Chetham. | 205 George Holland, jun.
Raph Bardsell.
Edward Robinson.
John Slater.
Edward Moore. |
| 100 James Dunkerley.
James Newton.
John Newton.
Henry Taylor.
Abraham Brierley. | 155 Adam Smith.
Robert Warbuttone.
Randle Kempe.
James Dana.
John Hyltone. | 210 Adam Shacklock.
Robert Harrison.
Abraham Ogden.
John Bury.
John Bowker. |
| 105 John Harrison.
John Kenion.
John Hyltone.
Rowland Wrightson.
Nicholas Worthington. | 160 Nicholas Barlow.
John Ogden.
Raph Dawson.
James Holland.
Thomas Gillibrand. | 215 Samuele Hybbert.
James Worthington, jr.
Francis Jackson.
John Scofield.
Josias Smith. |
| 110 Thomas Worthington.
ffranchise Walkdene.
John Ogden.
Edmund Loch.
Thomas Clough. | 165 Hugh Bordman.
Robert Chaterton.
John Booker.
William Travis.
Joseph Mosse. | 220 Andrew Barnes.
John Thorpe.
Edward Boare.
Thomas Worthington.
Thomas Wood. |
| 115 James Jackson.
Richard Roytone. | 170 George Barnes.
John Jackson.
Charles Ashtone. | 225 John Hudson.
James Sydall.
Thomas Bore.
William Eliot. |

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| 229 | Henry Grime. | 285 | Raph Haworth. | 341 | Thomas Ogden. |
| 230 | Henry Jackson. | | James Thorpe. | | Richard Clayton. |
| | John Travis. | | Richard Bowker. | | John Morless. |
| | George Sikes. | | Edward Barnes. | | John Ogden. |
| | James Ogden. | | Elizabeth Thorpe, vid. | 345 | Anthonie Hyll. |
| | Abram Bardsley. | 290 | George Hyltone. | | Thomas Rider. |
| 235 | John Hope. | | Anne Baggeley, vidua. | | William Pendlebury. |
| | Robert Thorpe. | | John Wroe. | | Roger Smith. |
| | Edward Bordman. | | Robert Hulme. | | Samuel Burton. |
| | Hugh Eliot. | | John Lees. | 350 | John Costerdine. |
| | James Bradeford. | 295 | John Mosse. | | James Butterworth. |
| 240 | James ffrance. | | Raph Clough. | | John Booth. |
| | John Hulme. | | Alice Jenkinson, vid. | | John Tomlinson. |
| | Edward Barnes. | | Elizabeth Smith, vid. | | James Butterworth. |
| | John Clough. | | Mary Taylor, vid. | 355 | Edward Patricke. |
| | Edward Clayton. | 300 | Jane Valentine, vid. | | Edward Jackson. |
| 245 | John Hyggen. | | Alice Hall, vid. | | Abraham Nab. |
| | Grace Whitworth. | | Alice Holland, vid. | | John Beardsell. |
| | Mario Wroe. | | Margret Sharples. | | Giles Rothwell. |
| | Nicholas Nield. | | Elner Chernock. | 360 | James Clough. |
| | Robert Chetham. | 305 | Henry Kemp. | | Anne Mosse. |
| 250 | Richard Smith. | | John Travis. | | Anne Travis. |
| | Edward Ogden. | | James Wright. | | James Whitaker. |
| | John Hybbard. | | John Eliot. | | Dorothy Bordman, vid. |
| | Raph Eliot. | | James Thorpe. | 365 | Jane Hulme. |
| | James ffrance. | 310 | Hugh Bond. | | Grace Hybbard. |
| 255 | James Travis. | | John Travis. | | Martha Parre, vid. |
| | Raph Jackson. | | John Shepley. | | Richard Chadwick. |
| | Thomas Doston. | | John Clough, sen. | | William Walker. |
| | John Rider. | | Nicholas Harrison. | 370 | Ales Burdsell, vid. |
| | James Jackson. | 315 | Judith Hybbard, vid. | | William Beardsell. |
| 260 | Raph Thorpe. | | Jonathan Hansley. | | Ciceley Hodgkinson, |
| | Peter Ashton. | | Joseph Newton. | | vid. |
| | John Ashton. | | William Beurdsell. | | George Hodgkinson. |
| | George Chadwick. | | Edward Wroe, jun. | | Nicholas Hodgkinson. |
| | George Travis. | 320 | Samuel Byrtch. | 375 | James Hodgkinson. |
| 265 | George Barnes, sen. | | Joseph Smith. | | Margret Buckley, vid. |
| | John Andrew. | | Raph Thorpe. | | ffranchise Woostencroft |
| | James Beswicke. | | Isaack Brierley. | | Süsanna Wood, vid. |
| | John Cudworth. | | John Coop. | | Elizabeth Woosten- |
| | Jeremie Newton. | 325 | Randle Grundy. | | croft, vid. |
| 270 | John Hartley. | | William Sandforth. | 380 | John Hill. |
| | George Jackson. | | Robert Denis. | | Nicholas Hyll. |
| | Thomas Ridgway. | | Raph Bowker. | | Thomas Thorpe. |
| | Raph Wood. | | John Hyltone. | | Nicholas Booth. |
| | John Chadkirk. | 330 | William Chorlton. | | John Andrew. |
| 275 | Nicholas Woostencroft. | | Henry Royle. | 385 | William Grunshall. |
| | Edward Loch. | | William Worthington. | | John Grunshall. |
| | John Clayton. | | Hugh Daws. | | Richard Smith. |
| | James Clayton. | | John Hardman. | | Thomas Bardsley |
| | Nicholas Dawson. | 335 | Henry Kenion. | | Joseph Heward. |
| 280 | Lawrence Ridgway. | | Zacharias Taylor. | 390 | Raph Walker. |
| | John Woostencroft. | | Richard Marler. | | Raph Hybbert. |
| | John Wright. | | William Pycroft. | | John Chaterton. |
| | Joseph Thorpe. | | Ralph Smith. | | John Hybbart. |
| | John Kenion. | 340 | Adam Smith. | | John Wostencroft, |

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| 395 Robert Hybbert.
Raph Hall.
Thomas Leech.
John Leech.
Raph Beswick. | 448 Martha Lee.
Alex. Burdsell. | 501 Samuell Shothrose
(Short-hose ?)
Thomas Ridgway.
Robert Gee.
Edward Nield. |
| 400 Raph Beswick, jun.
Williā Beurdsell.
Raph Graver.
John Graver.
George Travis. | 450 Elizabeth Kennion.
Ales Cocke.
Elizabeth Bouker.
Anna Hall.
Anne Worthington. | 505 Robert Glossop.
George Hilton.
Robert Smith.
John Smetherst.
Abram Jonson. |
| 405 John Brooke.
Anne Hewet, vid.
John Taylor.
James Hopwood.
George Grimshall. | 455 Elizabeth Hall.
Susan Chaterstone.
Martha Thorpe.
Marie Tomlinson.
Margaret Bagley. | 510 Richard Woosencroft.
James Heaton.
William Worthington.
Thomas Busick.
James Scholefield. |
| 410 Richard Woostencroft.
Robert Hybbert.
Raph Hybert.
Jane Hulme, vid.
Elizabeth Barnett. | 460 Martha Worthington.
Jane Jackson.
Anne Cudworth.
Margaret Heape.
Ester Harrison. | 515 James Jonas.
James Hilton.
George Turner.
Mathias Cakeman.
Elizabeth Rider. |
| 415 Margaret Gee, vid.
Anne Gillam.
James Kenion.
Susan Kenion.
Susan Ellcroft. | 465 Ales Harison.
Anne Barnes.
Elen Barnes.
Mary Baron.
Jane Lightbourne. | 520 Jane Busick.
Elisabeth Newton.
Alice Marlowe.
Thomas Taylor.
John Jacson. |
| 420 Margaret Worthington.
Mary Jenkingson.
Mary Wright.
Kester [Christopher]
Barnett. | 470 Ales Dickenson.
John Bowker.
Thomas Bowker.
Raph Bowker.
George Thorpe. | 525 William Inglise.
Elisabeth Clough.
Margaret Dawson.
William Tayler.
Adam Boardman. |
| 425 Sarah Hartley.
Anne Aston.
Anne Aston, junior.
Margaret Sharples.
Ales fletcher. | 475 James Thorpe.
James Chorlton.
Thomas Gorton.
Adam Gorton.
Jeremiah Burdsell. | 530 Hugh Thorpe.
John Barrett.
Samuel Shalcrosse.
John Hartley.
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| 430 Margaret Worthington.
Anne Yates.
Anne Aston.
Abigail Hilton.
Anna Hall. | 480 John Grimshaw.
John Burdsell.
James Hall.
James Hall.
Raph Burdsell. | Humffrey Barnett, cler.
535 Robert Hilton, Church-
warden.
Richard Holme, Chap-
pel reefe. |
| 435 Margret Holland.
Mary Hall.
Anne Kempe.
Marie Jackson.
Elen Eliot. | 485 John Beswicke.
Edward Ward.
Robert Hilton.
Samuel Hibbert.
Raph Clough. | Thomas Fletcher, Con-
stable.
James Newton, Con-
stable. |
| 440 Anne Knotte.
Katherine Hilton.
Mary Lomax.
Mary Ramsden.
Cathrin Chadkirke. | 490 William Walker.
Edward Robinson.
George Kenion.
James Clough.
James Beswicke. | James Charlton, Con-
stable [Chorlton in
Summary.] |
| 445 Mary Kenion.
Anne Holland.
Elizabeth Wright. | 495 John Toupe.
George —
John Hall.
Thomas Prestwich.
James Grunshaw. | 540 John Busick, Constable
John Heath, Constable
[Leech in Summary.]
John Jackson, Constable
Richard Wardle, Con-
stable. |
| | 500 John Grundy. | |

Before whom (all these before mentioned) have taken the protestation being in all five hundred thirty three.

With regard to Moston, at the conclusion of the return for Blakeley, is written and cancelled :—John Bexwicke, jun., being inhabitant of Blakeley and w^{thin} y^e compass of our charge hath not made y^e ptestation to our knowledge or y^e knowledge of our officers either this year or y^e last.

Ita testamur Robt. Smith [Minister].

Jeremiah Lighe.

Richard Wilde.

John Smith.

This is followed by “the Protestation of those of Mossen w^{ch} belong to y^e congregation of Blakely,” with thirty four names, taken “before me Robert Smith minister of God’s Word at Blakley.”

PROTESTORS.

THE alphabetical order of surnames, with Christian names and number in the order of their placing on the list, is as follows :—

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| <p>Allcroft, <i>see</i> Ellcroft.
 Andrew, Andrews, Hugh, 50; Jas., 173;
 John, jun., 179; Jas., jun., 197; John,
 266; John, 384.
 Ashton, Edwd., 47; Joseph, 98; Isaac, 99;
 Chas., 172; Peter, 261; John, 262.
 Aston, Anne, 427; Anne, jun., 428;
 Anne, 432.
 Bagley, Bageley, Baggeley, Baguley,
 Robert, 3; Geo., 25; John, 56; Jas.,
 412; Robt., 126; Adam, sen., 141;
 Adam, jun., 142; Nicholas, 174; Anne,
 vid., 291; Margaret, 459.
 Bardsley, Abram, 234; Thos., 388.
 Bardsell (Beardsell, Burdsell), Raph, 206.
 Barlow, Nicholas, 160.
 Barnes, John, 60; Edmund, 93; Geo., 170;
 Andrew, 220; Edwd., 242; Geo., sen.,
 265; Edwd., 288; Anne, 466; Elen,
 467.
 Barnett, Humffrey, cler., 1, 534;
 Joshua, 121; Elizth., 414; Kester
 (Christopher), 423.
 Barrett, John, 531.
 Baron, Barron, Thos., 13; Mary, 468.
 Batson, Chas., 52.
 Beardsell, Bardsell (Beurdsell), James, 177;
 John, 191; John, 358; Wm., 371.</p> | <p>Beswick (Busicke), John, 27; Jas., 267;
 Raph, 399; Raph, jun., 400; John,
 485; James, 494.
 Beurdsell (Beardsell), Jeremie, 41; Geo.,
 59; Jas., 125; Wm., 318; Wm., 401.
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 Boare (Bore), Edwd., 222.
 Bord, Hugh, 310.
 Booker (Bouker, Bowker), John, 167.
 Booth (Buthe), John, 352; Nicholas, 383.
 Boardman, Adam, 529.
 Bordman, Robt., 30; Edwd., 65; Othes,
 79; John, 80; Lawrence, 88; Hugh,
 165; Edwd., 188; Edwd., 237; Dorothy,
 vid., 364.
 Bore (Boare), Thos., 227.
 Bouker, Elizth., 452.
 Bowker (Booker), Raph, 72; Thos., 73;
 John, 214; Richd., 287; Raph, 328;
 John, 471; Thos., 472; Raphe, 473.
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 Brierley, Abraham, 104; Isaack, 323.
 Brooke, Phillip, 77; John, 405.
 Buckley, Margaret, vid., 376.
 Burdsell (Beurdsell), Ales, vid., 370;
 Alexr., 449; Jeremiah, 479; John, 481;
 Raph, 484.
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- Busicke (Beswicke), John, 195, 540; Thos., 513; Jane, 520.
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 Chadkirk, John, 274; Cathrin, 444.
 Chadwicke, Hercules, 187; Geo., 263; Richd., 368.
 Charlton (Chorlton), James, 539.
 Chaterton, Richd., 91; John, 127; Edwd., 129; Robt., 166; John, 392.
 Chaterstone, Susan, 456.
 Chernock, Elnor (Eleanor), 304.
 Chetham, Thos., Esq., 2; Francis, 7; Geo., 152; Thos., 154; Robt., 249.
 Chorlton (Charlton), James, 18; Richd., 87; Robt., 130; Wm., 330; James, 476.
 Clayton, Samuell, 132; Edwd., 244; John, 277; James, 278; Richd., 342.
 Clough, Robt., 26; John, 48; Raph, 62; Jas., 63; Thos., 114; Jas., 199; John, 200; John, 243; Raph, 296; John, sen., 313; James, 360; Raph, 489; James, 493; Elisabeth, 526.
 Cocke, Jas., 58; Ales, 451.
 Coop, John, 324, *and see* Toupe.
 Cooper, Nicholas, 92.
 Costerdine, John, 350.
 Cudworth, John, 268; Anne, 462.
 Dana, James, 158.
 Daws, Hugh, 333.
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 Denis, Robt., 327.
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 Eliot, William, 228; Hugh, 238; Raph, 253; John, 308; Elen, 439.
 Elleroft (Alcroft), Susan, 419.
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 Gee, Robt., 118; Margt., vid., 415; Robt., 503.
 Gillam, Anne, 416.
 Gilliam, John, sen., 139; John, jun., 140.
 Gillibrand, Thos., 164.
 Glossop, Robt., 57; Robt., 505.
 Gorton, Thos., 477; Adam, 478.
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 Grindshall, William, 136.
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 Grunshaw, James, 499.
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 Hardman, John, 128; John, 334.
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284; Henry, 335; James, 417; Susan,
418; Mary, 445; Elizth., 450; Geo.,
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294; Martha, 448.

Leech, John, 398.

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Sandforth, Wm., 326.

Scofield, John, 218.

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298; Joseph, 321; Raph, 339; Adam,
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MANCHESTER SCHOOL REGISTERS.

THE following items are taken from the three volumes of Manch. Sch. Registers, published by the Chet. Soc. (vols. lxix, lxxiii, xciii, xciv), and fall within the scope of this chapter on persons.

Sharples, Thos., s. of Jonathan of Bradford, hatter, admitted 1744, June 21.

Woolstenholme, Jas., s. of Joseph of Fainsworth [Failsworth], taylor, 1747, May 22.

Leigh, John, s. of Thos., apothecary of Miles Platting, nr. Manch., 1760, Ap. 21.

Bentley, Wm., s. of Wm., doctor of Newton, Lanc., 1746, Mar. 10, [descended from an anct. and opulent family, at Woodhouse in Spotland, Rochdale par., and for two or three generations practitioners of physic. Of this family was Michael Bentley, Esq., of Newton, nr. Manch., justice of peace in 1787. *Raines.*]

Houghton, Wm., s. of Robt., farmer, Newton, Lancash., 1757, Jan. 12.

Ogden, Thos., s. of John, weaver, Failsw., Lanc., 1791, Jan. 17.

Ogden, Wm., s. of John, farmer, Failsw., Lanc., 1792, Jan. 16.

Thornicroft, John, s. of Wm., porter, Newton, aged 13, 1822, Oct. 9.

Smith, Danl., s. of John, manager, Newton Heath, aged 14,
1819, Oct. 4.

Smith, Saml., s. of John, manager, Newton Heath, aged 10,
1819, Oct. 4.

The inhabitants of Newton Chapelry whose names occur in Mrs. Raffald's (First) *Manchr. Directory* in 1772, are (omitting Moston and Droylsden) limited to the following :—

Failsworth. Robinson, Rev. Mr.

Hobson, John, check manufacturer; wareho., Dawson
Croft, Market Street Lane.

Wild, Peter, check manuf.; wareho., Blue Boar Court.

Kirkmansholme. Beswick, Edward, gent.

Rothwell, Philip, crofter or whitster.

Shawcross, John, jun., crofter or whitster.

Newton. Greaves, Edward, Esq., Kelshaw [Culcheth] Hall.

Millward, Rev. Richd., Newton Heath.

Holt, Joseph, check manufr., wareho., Back Sq.

CROFTERS AND WHITSTERS.

Arnold, John.

Ashton & Whitehead.

Beswick, James.

Fletcher, John.

Hope, Thos.

Howarth, John.

Hulme, Robert.

Johnson, Richd.

Simester, James.

Slater, John.

Mr. John Arnold, crofter, Newton, above mentioned, was also on the Committee for the Detection and Prosecution of Felons and Receivers of stolen or embezzled goods.

According to Schole's *Manch. Directory*, 1797, Mrs. Mary Godfrey kept a Boarding School at Newton.

The *Manchester Mercury* contains the following notices of marriages and deaths amongst Newtonians :—

1807, July 14. Yesterday at St. Mary's Ch., Mr. Jas. Travis of Blakeley to Miss Grimshaw of Newton,

- 1807, July 28. On Thursd., Mrs. Nash wife of Mr Sebastian Nash of Clayton Mill near this town [died].
- 1808, Ap. 5. On Frid. last Mr. Jas. Aspell of Newton to Miss Betty Houghton of same place.
- 1809, Jan. 31. Yest. se'nn^t at Coll. Ch., Mr. John Rogers of N.H. to Mrs. Jane Walker of Walton, nr. Preston, widow.
- May 30. Lately at St. Mary's, Newington, Surrey, Mr. Sebastian Nash of Clayton nr. this town to Mary Ann, eldest dau. of Mr. Saml. Dixon, of Walworth Terrace.
- Dec. 18. On Tuesd. in his 44 y., Thos. Barker, Esq., Lt. Col. in the Newt. and Failsw. Loc. Militia [died].
- 1811, May 28. On Tuesd. week at Coll. Ch., Mr. Dennis Raingill of Chorlton, but late of Stretford, to Miss Hannah Mayall of Miles Platting near this town.
- Aug. 6. On Thursd. at Coll. Ch., Mr. John Tasker, Offr. of Excise to Miss Hannah Booth d. of Mr. Wm. Booth all of N. H.
- Oct. 29. On Wed. at the Coll. Ch., Mr. Robt. Taylor youngest son of Mr. Joseph Taylor of Failsworth to Hannah, eldest dau. Mr. Wm. Barron of the same place.
- 1813, Sep. 28. On Sund. last at St. Mary's, Deansgate, Mr. John Holden of N. H. to Miss Mary Leech of the same place.
- 1814, Jan. 25. On Wed. Mr. Wm. Hardy of Ardwk., drysalter, to Miss Eliz. Maye [Mayo ?], of Newt. Hth.
- Ap. 5. On Mond. wk. at Coll. Ch., Mr. Jas. Knight, farmer, to Miss Grace Cliff both of Failsw.
- Sep. 20. On Tuesd. last at St. John's, Mr. Geo. Eckersley of Failsworth, to Miss Elizth. Standing of Mchr.
- 1815, Jan 31. Yest. at Coll. Ch., Thos. Porter, Esq., of Bradford, nr. Mchr. to Miss Charlotte d. of Mr. Thos. Scholes of the sa. pl.

ARMITAGE.

SIR ELKANAH ARMITAGE, Knt., was born at Newton Heath, September 6, 1794, and died at Hope Hall, Weaste, November 26, 1876.

He was called after his father. His mother, Ann, died December 31, 1802, aged 45, and a gravestone at Dob Lane Chapel, Failsworth, records the fact, and the names and dates of death and ages of four other children, Elijah, Enoch, Hannah, and John (*see* Account of that Chapel, *post*).

In early life the future Sir Elkanah had a draper's shop in Blackfriars Street, Manchester, and next began manufacturing bedticks in Macdonald's Lane and Cannon Street. After that

he took a mill at Swinton, and later on moved to Pendleton. He was Boroughreeve of Salford in 1838, and Mayor of Manchester in 1846. He was knighted in 1848, in recognition of his services in preserving order during a period of great distress and the Chartist agitation. He was High Sheriff of Lancashire in 1866 (Axon's *Manchester Annals*, p. 360). He was founder of the well-known firm of Sir Elkanah Armitage and Sons Limited.

Benjamin Armitage, second son of Sir Elkanah Armitage, was born in Chapel Street, Salford, in 1823. He died in 1900. He was elected one of the Salford Borough Members of Parliament in 1880, and was Member for West Salford in 1885, but failed to regain the seat in 1886 owing to the dissensions amongst the Liberals on the Home Rule question. His portrait, and an account of his active and useful career, will be found in *Manchester Faces and Places*, vol. iii. pp. 129-31.

The accompanying skeleton pedigree is taken from that contained in Cyrus Armitage's *Some Account of the Armitages*, 1850, and traces Sir Elkanah's ancestry back to Godfrey Armitage, who according to the tradition of the family was related to the Armytages of Kirklees, who trace their lineage from John Armitage, who was Standard-bearer to King Stephen.

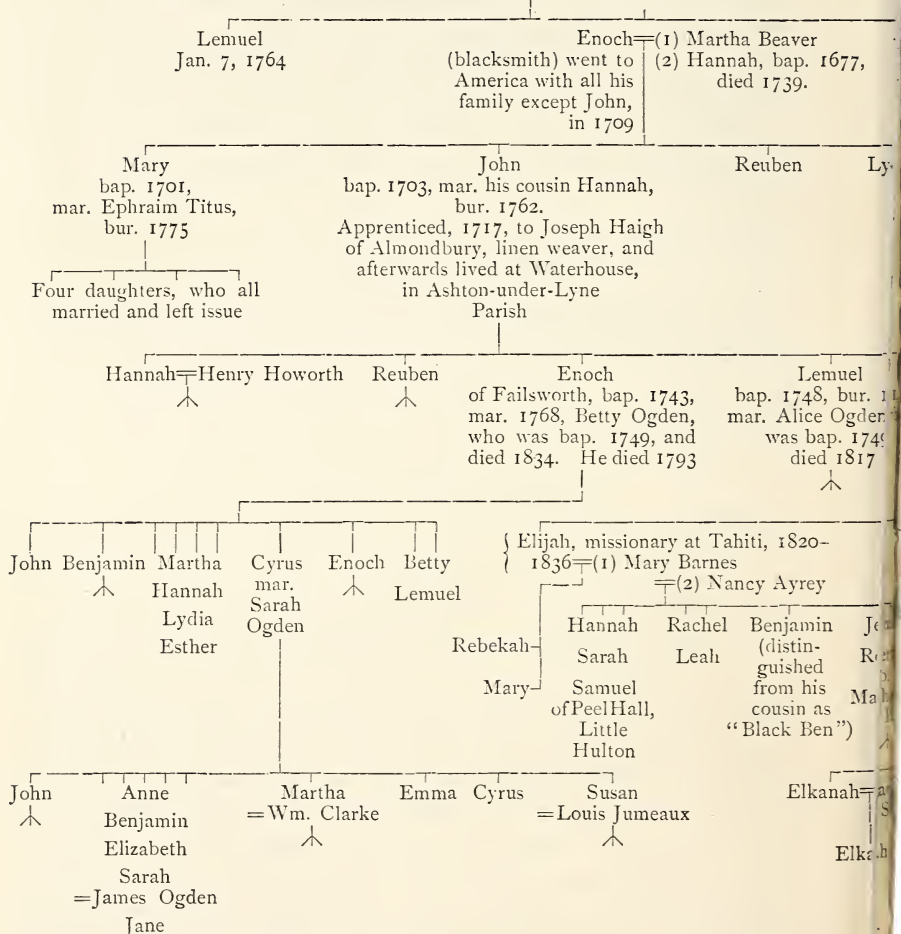
Godfrey's grandson went to America in 1719 with all his children, except his son John, who had been bound apprentice two years before to Joseph Haigh of Holmswood, in Almondsbury Parish, co. York, to learn the business of a linen weaver.

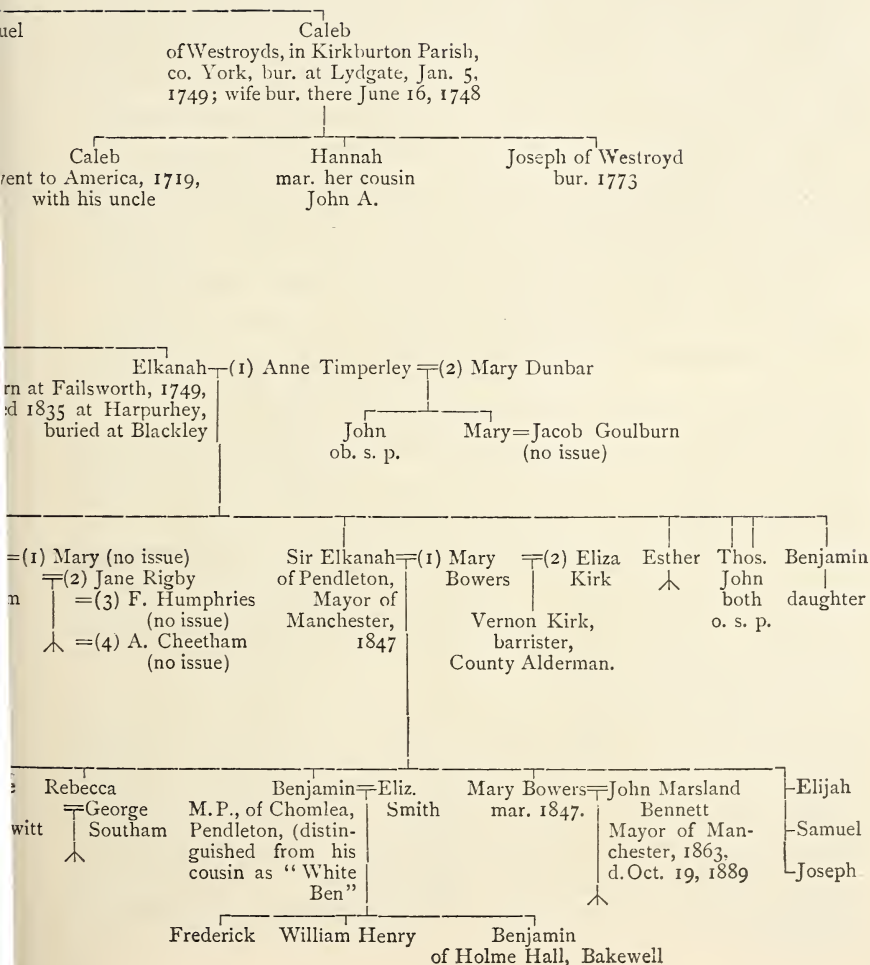
Joseph Haigh refused to let John go with his father to America in 1719, alleging that it would ruin his business. It does not appear however that Haigh took any pains to fulfil his part of the apprenticeship articles, and John complained in later years that instead of being properly taught to weave linen he had been generally employed as a shepherd, and his constitution was so injured through exposure in winter while looking after the sheep that as soon as the seven years of his apprenticeship expired, as linen weaving was prospering in Lancashire, he decided to leave Haigh, and found a place with Christopher

History of Newton Chapelry.

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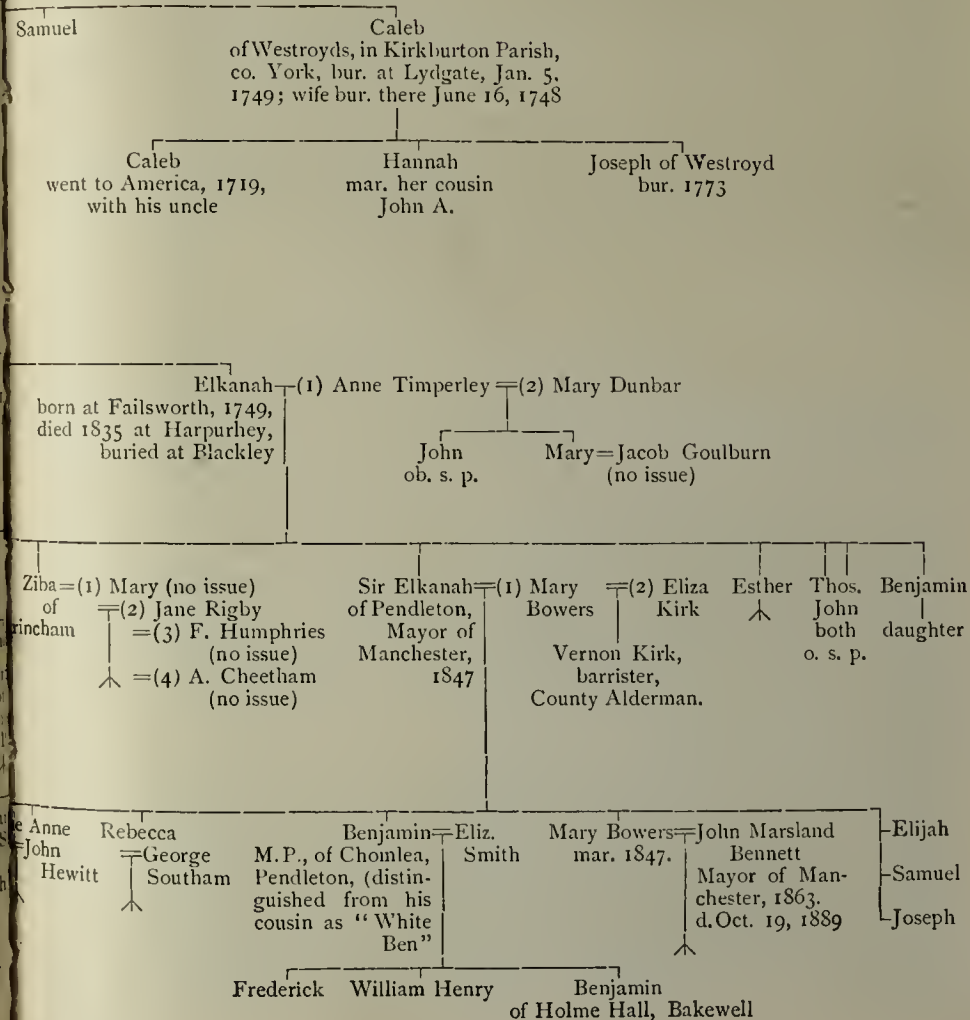
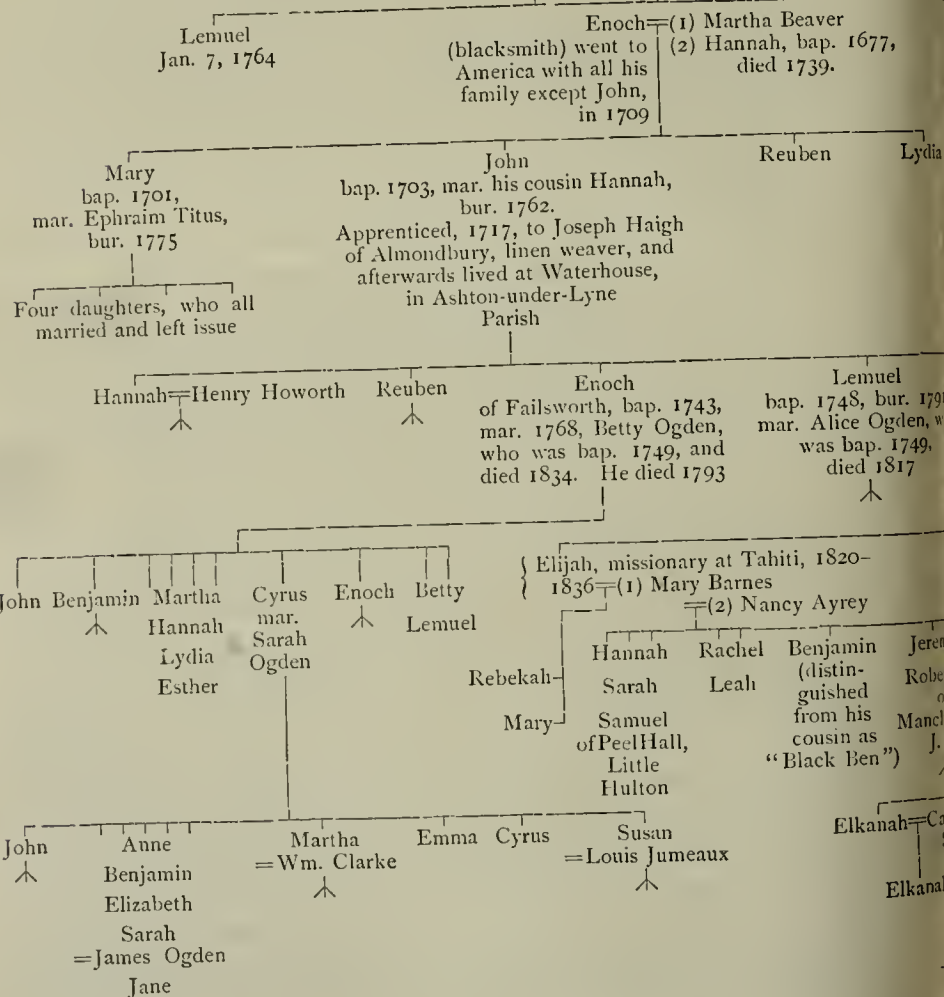


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FOLDOUT BLANK

Travis of Droylsden, and soon after took a small farm at Lumm in Droylsden. At that time there was a great deal of disease amongst cattle, and often cows that seemed well at night would be found dead next morning, but John Armitage had the good fortune to lose none of his. However, it was not very long before he removed to Waterhouse, where he took a cottage that had a loom room attached. He regularly attended Dob Lane Chapel, although it was some two or three miles from where he lived. His scrupulous honesty and integrity were proverbial for miles around in those days when the honesty of weavers was rare, and it became a common saying, "as honest as old John Armitage" (Cyrus Armitage's *Some Account of the Armitages*, p. 69).

John's second son, Enoch, soon after his marriage in 1768, moved to Lime Ditch in Failsworth with his two younger brothers, Lemuel and Elkanah, and from Lime Ditch he moved to Hardman Fold, Lane End, Failsworth, where most of his ten children were born, and where he died, leaving nine surviving.

His youngest brother, Elkanah, father of the future Sir Elkanah Armitage, was 85 years old when he died. He had known adversity, and was a never failing friend to the poor.

Enoch kept a shop for the sale of flour; meal, and groceries, but his kindliness was abused by many to whom he gave credit, and the upheaval in Europe, and especially in France, so disturbed trade in England, that Enoch sent his son Benjamin with Mr. Jonathan Hobson, who traded as a merchant with America, to New York in April, 1793, preparatory to emigrating with his family, a project which fell through owing to Enoch's death in November of that year.

The Enoch Armitage who emigrated in 1719, settled near Princeton, West Jersey, and in September, 1784, his grandson Enoch of Failsworth, son of John, wrote to his uncle Reuben, telling him that they all lived within six miles from Manchester, and their business was weaving Manchester checks or silk goods. He received in reply a letter, dated January 1, 1785, from his cousin Enoch, Reuben's son. Omitting unimportant passages, it ran :—

We received your letter bearing date Sep^r. 7, 1784, but almost four months on its passage. Our father often wrote and seemed very desirous to hear from you, more especially since the unhappy contest between Great Britain and her Colonies by which he was a great sufferer, for in December, 1776, the horrors of war came to our own doors and seemed to threaten us with utter destruction. *Our inheritance was laid almost entirely waste, our movable effects all plundered away and our aged father driven from his house blind as he was and left in the woods without any kind of subsistence at that inclement season of the year. He was very much abused by his countrymen. Your papers may call us rebels here, but this I know, wherever an Army comes there is very little respect paid to either person or property.

I shall here send you a transcript from our family Bible which was found in a barn after the retreat from Princeton, it being a useless thing in an army, and so we got it again, it being the only piece of antiquity we have left to boast of.

From another letter written by Benjamin Armitage in America to his brother Cyrus in 1843, this incident is narrated in greater detail, as follows :—

Some time before the Revolution he [Reuben] lost his sight but this did not prevent him from espousing the cause of this country against that of his birth.

Soon after the Revolution broke out his son Enoch (though then but young) was balloted into the American Army and sent to New York. His daughters were married and had all left him. The British took possession of Princeton. After being in Princeton a short time they sent out foraging parties and coming to Pennington and obtaining information that an English rebel resided at the first farm beyond the bridge over Stoney Brook, part of a troop of horse soldiers paid Reuben a visit. All his domestics black and white had fled in alarm except old Cato his faithful slave. The soldiers found them at the house and abused and insulted them in the most brutal manner. They then commenced breaking glass, china, looking glasses, earthenware, etc., and smashing all the furniture to pieces and then set it on fire. They selected as plunder, bed linen, blankets and everything they found that would be useful to them, ripping up

all the feather beds to make sacks for holding their plunder. While this was going on in the house others were killing the poultry, pigs, etc., and collecting the cattle together to drive them away. Some seized the poor blind old man whom they tortured and threatened to take his life unless he would tell them where he had secreted his money, plate, and valuables. This he refused to do, and in the end they led him away into the woods and there left him alone. After the soldiers had left the place his daughter found him there. He informed them that he had hid his money, etc., in a hole in the earth in the wood when he heard of the marauding party leaving Princeton, but it was never found. (*Account of the Armitages*, pp. 53-61.)

ATKIN.

ELI ATKIN of Newton Heath was a druggist in Manchester about 1830 in partnership with Mr. Dale in Swan Street, but shortly gave up the retail business, and became a drysalter and manufacturing chemist (*Slugg's Reminiscences*, p. 60).

He had been first apprenticed to John Stocks, whose shop was, until about 1822, at the corner of Thomas Street and Oldham Road, when he removed to Market Street. Mr. Atkin was a member of Oldham Street Chapel, along with Hugh Greaves, whose warehouse was in Marsden Square, father of George Greaves, surgeon, of Stretford, who died of blood-poisoning from performing an operation, Mr. Millward of Newton Heath, and Alexr. Braik, silk and shawl dyer of Oldham Street, predecessor of John Berrie (*Slugg*, 153-5).

BARNES.

ROBERT BARNES, father of the late Robert Barnes, the Manchester benefactor, lived during the latter part of his life at Newton Lodge, Oldham Road (*Slugg's Reminiscences*, p. 162). He was an architect and practised at 2, Palace Street, Manchester. He died Nov. 29, 1824, aged 59, and left £3,000 to the Bridgwater Street Chapel Trustees.

A handsome memorial tablet by Bennison and Son was placed in the Chapel, and in the Vestry there was a portrait of him.

About 1830 his sons Thomas and Robert were cotton spinners in Jackson Street, Manchester.

Thomas died a bachelor, and Robert sold the business to W. R. Callender & Sons.

Robert was an Alderman of Manchester and was Mayor in 1851-3.

CHETHAM.

FOR full information respecting the Chetham family recourse must be had to Mr. Sutton's *Life of Humphrey Chetham*, with Mr. Ernest Axon's *Chetham Genealogy* in the Chetham Society's vols. 50, 51, NS., and to Mr. W. H. B. Bird's article on Humphrey Chetham in *The Ancestor*, No. viii., January, 1904, pp. 82-99.

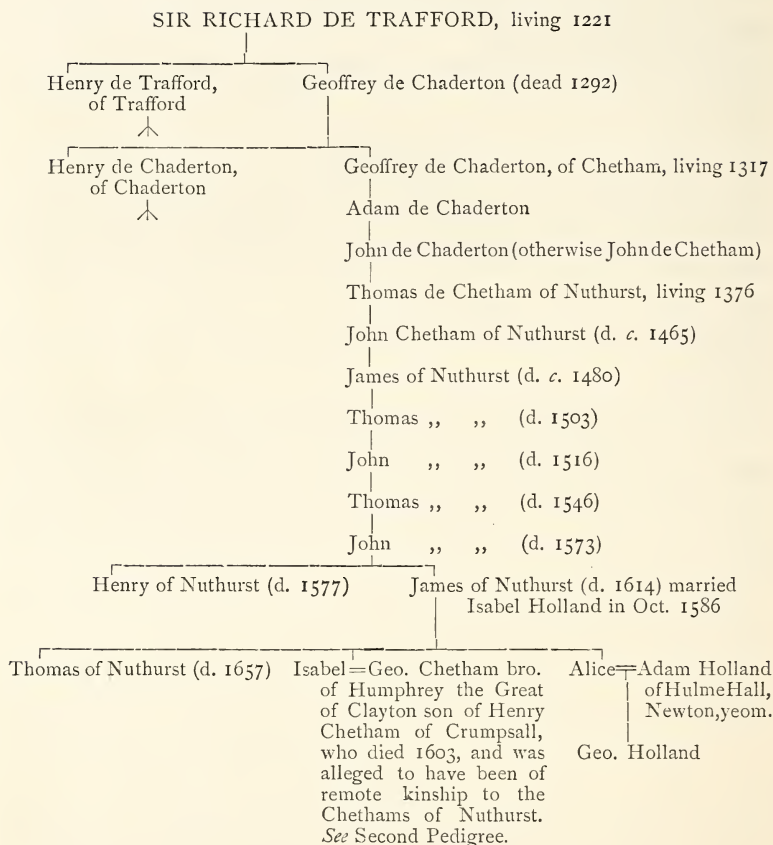
The accompanying skeleton pedigrees will help to place the members of the family, who resided in Newton from time to time, and will assist in tracing the descent of their properties in the district, which will be dealt with in greater detail in the Failsworth section, and the pedigrees will also show the relationship to the Hollands by marriage.

Other particulars will be found in the Failsworth section in connection with their possessions in that Township.

On July 10th, 1615, Margerie Chetham of Nuthurst, vid., Theophilus Assheton of Cleg, Esq., and John Cudworth of Wernith, gent., entered into a Bond to the Receiver General of the Court of Wards for payment of 100 marks for the fine of the marriage of Thos. Chetham son and heir of James Chetham deceased (see first Pedigree), on his marrying Mary, a daughter of Francis Forester of Watling Street, co. Salop, Esq. (Clowes' *Evidences*).

For the funeral of the great Humphrey Chetham of Clayton, in 1653 (see second Pedigree), seven yards of Padua serge at 3s. 4d. a yard were provided for John Trevis' wife of Milhouses (Sutton's *H. Chetham*, p. 284), and on Nov. 2, 1653, the Exors. of his Will paid twenty pounds to the churchwardens and

FIRST PEDIGREE.



overseers of the Poor of the parish of Manchester out of which 27s. were to be distributed in Newton (*op. cit.* p. 300).

The accounts of the Estate of Humphrey Chetham included on July 25, 1653, a payment of £120 to Mr. James Hopwood for "one millne, two cilles, three roods of land standing and lying in Nuton, which was in contrivercie." (*Clowes' Evidences.*)

EDWARD CHETHAM OF CRUMPSALL

James of Crumpsall (d. 1571)

Henry of Crumpsall (d. 1603)

James of Crumpsall (d. 1654) | Geo. = Isabel Chetham of Nuthurst, of remote kindred. *See* First Pedigree | Humphrey the Great of Clayton, etc. d. 1653 unmarried

(d. 1684)

James of Smedley, d. 1692, bach. | Humphrey of Whitworths in Newton.

Edw^d. Chetham of Nuthurst, Barrister, bapt. Sep. 22, 1647, married at Manch., May 12, 1683, Mary, daughter of John Abraham of Manch., grocer, died 1714.

[George d. 1729]

James, d. 1752 | Anne d. un-
He inherited married, 1762.
his father's She inherited
property in from her bro-
Failsworth ther James and
left all to her
cousin Ed-
ward

Alice, bap. July 16th, 1685,
m. Adam Bland of Manch.,
Feb. 23, 1714-5 at Chapel
le Frith, died 1774, took
property at Failsworth, etc.,
by partition, now represented
by the Freres and Hoares

Mary | Mary
bur. June 16 | bur. Nov. 16,
1686 | 1688

Mary
born c. 1694, m.
Nov. 22, 1716,
Sam^l. Clowes,
jun., of Manch.,
died Jan. 1775,
took property at
Chetham, etc.,
by partition

Son
bur. May 12,
1687

Edw^d.
Barrister, born
1689, died 1769.
The properties
of all branches
of the firm be-
came vested in
him, and his sis-
ters Alice and
Mary were his
co-heiresses

Thomas Chetham appointed James Holland of Hulme Hall, within Newton, gent., to be an executor of his Will dated Nov. 2, 1657. (Clowes' *Evidences*.)

On June 28, 1674, Francis Cladge, servant of Mr. Humphrey Chetham (spelt Oumferei Catems) of Newton (spelt Nuton) was buried at Blackley. (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 84.)

Humphrey Chetham of Whitworths in Newton, gent. (second son of Edwd. Chetham of Smedley in Cheetham, gen., eldest son of James Chetham of Crumpsall, see second Pedigree), was born Jan. 3, 1643-4. In 1664 he was described as "of Cheetham, gent.," and in 1668 (when he purchased lands in Moston), as "of Smedley, merchant." After his marriage he appears to have resided at Whitworths in Newton, which he had with his wife. He died without issue, and was buried Aug. 30, 1680. He married, at Eccles, Jan. 28, 1668-9, Mary, daughter and heiress of John Whitworth of Newton. She subsequently married Ralph Worsley of Platt, gent., and was buried at Platt, Aug. 8, 1701. (*Chet. Genealogy*, Chet. Soc., NS. 50, p. 59).

On Sept. 11, 1674, James Chetham of Smedley (second Pedigree) wrote consulting his "Brother Ned" as to the validity of certain leases granted by the College of Manchester, "and my brother Humphrey's house [Whitworth Hall] is principally aimed at," the questions being whether the warden and fellows could grant leases for 21 years, and could exceed the 21 years in effect by covenanting to renew if the lease was surrendered within seven years and on payment of £25 17s., and whether a lessee within two or three years after taking a lease for 21 years could surrender the lease and take another for 21 years and so forth, the College contending that this could only be done within the last three years of the 21, "nay, they have been so knavish y^t they have kept the counterpart of the surrendered lease to give in evidence," and James was anxious "that if possible the [College] Corporation may have their rapacious humour stopped." He had ascertained that Fellows Weston and Mosley were in favour of the lessees, but the Warden "for

all his good pretences, and Mr. Adams were against them, and if Mr. Johnson was able to take a journey he would come and so outvote the other two in the Chapter."

On Mar. 16, 1681-2, John Chetham of Linton or Lynton, co. Cambridge, by Will left all Nuthurst, etc., to John my son, etc., etc., and appointed James Holland of Hoome Hall to be his Executor. (Clowes' *Evidences*.)

DIXON.

ELIJAH Dixon was born at Kirkburton in Yorkshire on October 29, 1790, and came to Manchester when he was eleven years old. His father and the rest of the family came at the same time.

Elijah became a piecer and spinner in a cotton mill, and later on was a milkseller, travelling pedlar, and then a manufacturer of pill boxes, a business which flourished. He then added the manufacture of match boxes and matches, coupled with the business of a timber merchant. (Axon's *Manchr. Annals*, p. 359.)

About 1850 the firm was Dixon, Son, & Nightingale, and after Mr. Nightingale's death Mr. Dixon took his son-in-law, George Evans, into partnership, the firm being then Dixon, Son, & Evans.

Ultimately the match business was sold to the well-known firm of Bryant and May, of London. The timber business was however continued by Mr. Evans, since deceased, and four of his sons, Wm. Thos., George, James, and Excelsior. The founder's descendants now extend to great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Dixon was a careful man of business and preserved every invoice and voucher for half a century. In his early days he used to advance a shilling as a standing loan to ragged urchins, and sold matches to them at a reasonable price to hawk in the streets. (Higson, *Day's Archæolog. Stroll*, March, 1862.)

In 1817 he was suspected of dealing in high treason, and on March 12th of that year was arrested whilst spinning at Houldsworth's Mill in Manchester, and taken to London in

double irons, and committed on 15th to Tothill Fields Bridewell, where he remained till Nov. 13.

Next year the leading Reformers in Manchester, including Elijah Dixon, addressed to the House of Commons a petition repudiating the allegations upon which the Habeas Corpus Act had been suspended by an Act which was the outcome of the "seditious proceedings of the Blanketeers." (Prentice's *Manchr.*, p. 128.)

Elijah Dixon died at New Moston on July 26, 1876, aged 86. He had two sons Job and Elijah, both of whom predeceased him. He had also several daughters. His son Job had a son Elijah, who was a manager for Bryant and May, and who was succeeded in time by his son William. George Evans, who married Mary daughter of Elijah Dixon, senior, left five sons, Wm. Thos. Evans who died in 1904, George who lives in Newton Heath, James, Lorenzo, and Excelsior, also a daughter. A grand-daughter of Elijah married Wm. Walter Ingham of New Moston.

Elijah's brother Abner was engaged as a traveller for Dixon, Son, & Nightingale up to the time of his death. He had three sons William Hepworth Dixon, David Dixon and Daniel Dixon.

William Hepworth Dixon was born on June 30, 1821, in Newton Street, Ancoats. In early life he worked in a factory. In 1844 he was editor of the *Phonographic Journal*, which was published in Manchester. In 1846 he went to London, and in 1853 became editor of *The Athenæum*, which post he resigned in 1869.

Mr. Higson noted about 1862 that W. H. Dixon wrote "in one of the London Periodicals" an account of the match box and pill box trade in Newton Heath, but it is not recorded in Poole's *Index to Periodical Literature*.

He was the author of the *Lives of John Howard, William Penn, and Robert Blake*; *The Holy Land*, 1865; *New America*, 1867; *Royal Windsor, Her Majesty's Tower, The Switzers*,

1872; *Spiritual Wives*, *History of Two Queens*, *White Conquest*, 1875; and other works. He was offered and refused a baronetcy. (*Axon Manch. Annals*, pp. 230, 432.)

He died in London on Dec. 27th, 1879.

GILLIAM.

IN the will dated July 28, 1637, of Nathan Jenkinson of Nuthurst, in Moston, he mentions his "well beloved in Christ, John Gilliam of Newton, gentleman," and his wife Alice Jenkinson, was to enjoy all his lands in Nuthurst and Failsworth. (*Booker's Blackley*, p. 158.)

On June 17, 1650, John Gilliam of Newton, gent., served on the jury at Manchester at the Enquiry into Church Livings.

Mr. Booker in his *History of Didsbury Chapel* (Chet. Soc. vol. xlii., p. 232), states that John Gilliam, gent. [of Newton] who is described as of Levenshulme, was son and heir of John Gilliam of the same place, Esq., who was a captain in the parliamentary interest and a justice of the peace, and his wife Mary, daughter of James Halliwell, gent., of Pike House in Rochdale Parish.

He was baptised at Littleborough July 2, 1658, and married Jane, daughter of Thomas Percival of Royton, gent. After his death she married secondly Richard Tonge of Tonge, gent.

By Will dated June 18, 1688, proved at Chester Oct. 26, the same year, John Gilliam left many charitable legacies, and settled his very large estates in Newton, Droylsden, Failsworth, and several other places on his only child Jane, who subsequently married John Greaves of Culcheth in Newton, Esq., High Sheriff of Lancashire in 1733, ancestor of Edwd. Greaves of Culcheth and Nettleworth Hall, Notts. (*Notitia Cestriensis*, vol. ii., part i., pp. 91-2; *Fielding's Historical Gleanings*, p. 144.)

Mr. Gilliam of Levenshulme in 1664 was summoned by Sir Wm. Dugdale, Norroy King of Arms, to register his descent and justify his title to such coat of arms and crest as he usually bore. (*Dugdale's Visitation*, Chet. Soc. vol. lxxxiv, p. v.)

In the Parliamentary returns of Charities in 1786, under the heading of Newton, it is stated that John Gilliam in 1632

gave £20 to the poor secured by a rent charge of 24s. per annum, and vested in Edward Greaves, Esq. It subsequently dropped to 12s. per ann., and had ceased altogether prior to 1852. (Fielding's *Hist. Gleanings*, p. 144, see also Failsworth, *post.*)

GREAVES.

THE Northowram Register notes, p. 196, Mr. Mathew Greaves of Manchr., married Mrs. Ann Madock of Newton Heath, 1705.

John Byrom in his Diary (Chet. Soc. vol. xl.), mentions Mr. Greaves several times ; (p. 1) 1736 went to London with Mr. Graves, and (p. 5) Mr. Graves and his brother John who was for riding my horse down ; (p. 200) in 1738 Mr. Greaves has been very well, and is writing by me to his folks ; (vol. xlv., p. 386) on October 8, 1745, Miss Elizabeth Byrom went to Baguley with Mr. Greaves, "everybody in hiding for fear of the rebels," and on Nov. 12, her uncle and aunt Houghton went to Kilshaw (Culcheth Hall) to pay a visit.

His son, John Greaves, Esq. of Culcheth, married Jane, daughter of John Gilliam of Newton. John Greaves was High Sheriff of Lancashire in 1733, and is stated to have bought Culcheth Hall, Newton. [He acquired it through his marriage to Jane Gilliam.]

Edwd. Greaves, Esq., his son, died Feb., 1783. He married Martha, daughter of Sir Darcy Lever of Alkington. His son, Edward, was born in 1762, and married Eliza Ann Bower, daughter of Thos. Bower, Esq., of Ewerne, Dorsetshire, on April 2, 1791. He sold Culcheth in 1790 [and lived at Nettleworth Hall, Notts., and died Mar. 29, 1824, and was buried in Manchester Collegiate Church, where there is a monument to his memory. He was Sheriff of Lancashire in 1812]. (D. Jackson of Newton Heath, Aug. 1875, in *M. Cour. Local Gleanings*, vol. i. p. 53; see also Picope's *Lancs. MSS.*, vol. vi. p. 234, and Wilson's *Miscell.*, Chet. Soc., vol. xlv., p. 68, *note* 18.)

Edward Greaves of Culcheth, on Aug. 24, 1775, laid the first stone of the Concert Hall in Fountain Street, Manchester, which preceded the one at the corner of Lower Mosley Street and Peter Street, where the Midland Grand Hotel now stands.

HALL.

IN a deposition concerning Theylemore, otherwise White Moss in Moston, in 1537 (28 Henry VIII.), Hugh Halle of Newton is mentioned.

On April 4th, 1639, according to the Raines *MSS.* vol. xxii, p. 126, James Hall of Newt. Heath, in Manch. Par., declared that he had not yet entered into Holy Orders, either deacon or priest, nor subscribed to the Thirty Articles, but was willing so to do; that he had not been examined nor lawfully approved by the Lord Bishop or lawful ordinary of the Diocese of Chester or any other to preach and expound the Scripture nor had he any license for that purpose; that he had preached six sermons in churches and chapels namely at Manch., Middleton and Prestwich, Gorton Chapel and Birch Chapel, but never in any private houses or families.

James Hall may have been the Jas. Hall of Newton, clerk, who was buried at the Collegiate Church, Feb. 28, 1662-3. (*Manchester Classis*, vol. iii., p. 430.)

The Northowram Register, p. 56, notes:—Mrs. Hall of Newton Heath was buried at Manchester, 30 May, 1678, aged 94.

HARTLEY.

ON 30th April, 1628, John Hartley of Newton, yeom., was appointed together with Ralph Pycrofte of Gorton, yeom., by John Shacklocke of Moston, gent., to be a Trustee of lands called Howgate [in Moston?]. (*Clowes' Evidences*.)

HILTON OR HULTON.

IN 1672 Heywood mentions in his Diary (vol. i., p. 288), Mr. Newe and I kept a fast at John Hulton's at Newton Heath.

There were numerous Hulton's and Hilton's in Failsworth and Newton, as will be seen on consulting the index to this volume. In 1641 the Protestation at Newton was made by Abigall Hilton, Catherine Hilton, George Hilton, James Hilton, and Robert Hilton, and by two George Hyltons and three John Hyltons.

The first syllable of the name must have been about that

time pronounced in such a way that it was no easy matter to know whether it was to be spelt with an i or a u, and y may have been adopted as a compromise between the two.

They are believed to have been a branch of the family which has been for many centuries seated at Hulton Park, near Bolton-le-Moors, and to which modern researches attribute a Welsh origin.

HOLLAND.

SIR WM. HENRY HOLLAND, Knt., M.P., is a younger son of the late Wm. Holland, J.P., of Victoria Mills, Miles Platting, where the firm of Holland & Sons is engaged in fine spinning, Mr. Wm. Holland having acquired a mill there in 1867. Their mill was burnt down in August, 1890, but was speedily rebuilt, and is one of the best equipped in the district.

In 1884 he was elected a member of the Newton Heath Local Board, and became its last chairman in 1889. On the District being amalgamated with Manchester in 1890, he was made first Alderman of the Miles Platting Ward (1889-92). He was elected M.P. for North Salford, 1892-5, and for the Rotherham District of the West Riding of Yorkshire in 1899.

A further account of his life, together with his portrait appears in the third vol. of *Manch. Faces and Places*, pp. 97-9, and in *Manchester at the Close of the XIXth Century*, p. 82.

His father, the late Wm. Holland, resided in early life in Ancoats, and was son of James Holland who came from near Stockport and died when William was very young.

The Hollands of Newton were a branch of the Denton Hollands, and Sir W. H. Holland therefore is probably descended from the Denton Hollands rather than from those of Newton. His elder brother is Samuel Holland, Esq., J.P., a member of the firm.

By Will dated June 5, 1603, Susan Beswycke of Blackley, par. Manch., spinster, dau. of Hugh B. of that place, yeoman left xlviii*s.* to Margaret dau. of Mr. Adam Holland of Newton. (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 48.)

On May 16, 1611, Adam Holland and Robert Baguley of

Newton, yeomen, were appointed attorneys to deliver seizin of Blackley Chapel to the Trustees in whom it was being vested by Sir John Byron of Newstead, and his son Sir John of Royton, and others. (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 51.)

Adam Holland, who died in Dec., 1624, left four closes of land in Newton, held for three lives, called Siddall Fields to his son Adam for 99 years, if the lease so long continued, he paying to Testator's grand-children, Joseph Holland ten pounds and "to his two sisters five pounds a piece." He names his sister Sisley and her children. The Inventory of his goods includes some in the house of Adam Holland of Houlme Hall, which Mr. Earwaker (*Manch. C.L. Rec.*, vol. ii, p. 91 n), thinks was probably Hulme Hall in Reddish, but which was really Hulme Hall in Newton, as the Siddall Fields went with "Pedley Place" which was another name for Hulme Hall.

On Feb. 23, 1629-30, Adam Holland the elder of Newton, yeom., and Geoffrey Bowker of Moston, yeom., and James his son and heir, sold to John Shacklocke of Moston, gent., for £158 15s., the messuages &c., occupied by Adam and Geoffrey; and Alice now wife of Adam is mentioned in the Deed. (Clowes' *Evidences*.)

On July 13, 1649, James Holland of Newton, gent., was party to a Conveyance by John Shacklocke of Moston, gent., Mary his wife and Edward his son and heir apparent, to Ralph Charton the younger, of Manchester, tanner, and Margt. his wife.

Heywood's Diaries, p. 11, state that James Holland's house was licensed for a Presbyterian Meeting House, and he himself was also licensed. The house was at Culcheth or Kilshaw¹.

Adam Holland had a son Thos. (*Manch. C. L. R.*, iii., 209, Dugd. *Visns.*, 247), born 1623, laureated at Edinburgh April 15,

¹ On May 26, 1689, Meeke's Diary, p. 1, records that he preached at Newton where [in which Chapelry] his mother resided, namely at Clayton, and on May 22, 1693, he records his attendance at his mother's funeral which took place at Denton, and next day Mr. Scholes preached at his licensed place at Culcheth her funeral sermon. Meeke adds: "Died much lamented; her removal from that neighbourhood will be a loss to many."

1645, ordained April 15, 1647, to Ringley Chapel¹, removed to Blackley, Aug. or Sept., 1654, and thence ejected in 1662². He retired to Newton, and in 1671 was at Newton. (Raines *MSS.*, vol. xxiv., p. 276.)

Thos. Holland of Newton, deceased in Oldham parish was buried at Manchester Collegiate Church, 1674, Dec. 25, and on Feb. 10, 1674-5, Hannah, wife of Thos. Holland, late of Newton, clerk, deceased at Oldham. Will at Chester.

Mr. Booker says that the Rev. Thos. Holland, M.A., lived in private in a house of his own near Newton Heath, and left several children. He was M.A. of Edinburgh University, took the National Covenant in 1647, when he presented himself before the Manchester Classis for ordination, having received a call to Ringley in Prestwich Parish. He removed to Blackley as minister in April, 1653, and continued there until 1662, when his name appears in the list of ministers ejected from their livings by the Uniformity Act. (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 70.)

Calamy in his *Abridgment*, vol. ii., p. 396, says Mr. Holland "had sore affliction in his body and estate, and was taken off from his work some years before he died, but had been an able and diligent preacher in the former part of his life." He was a gentleman by birth, a member of the ancient family of Holland who were for many generations settled at Denton and Heaton in Lancashire. (Booker's *Blackley*, p. 70.)

The Manchester Marriage Registers contain the following miscellaneous Holland entries :—

- 1656-7, Feb. 7, Thos. Wilcockson of Gorton, chapman, s. of John W. of same, chapm., and Sarah Holland of Failsworth, d. of Adam Holland, late of same decd., Witn. John Wilcockson, John Whittle, Jas. Holland.
 1760, Nov. 10, John Holland of F., weaver, and Martha Tomlinson, of Moston.
 1763, Ap. 5, John Holland, linen weaver, and Ellen Whitaker, Failsw.
 1771, Oct. 29, Robt. Clough, weaver, and Mary Holland, Failsw.

¹ The Plundered Ministers' Accounts name him at Ringley in 1647.

² In Anger's Diary there is a note of his arrest under date, Dec. 8, 1663.

- 1772, May 19, Peter Haddock, husbdm., and Ellen Holland, Newton.
 1777, Oct. 27, Peter Lees of Manch., silk weaver, and Mary Holland of Failsw.
 1804, Feb. 14, Saml. Holland, joiner, and Mary Wolstenholme of Failsw.

The Newton Marriage Register records the following marriage:—

- 1688, Ap. 27, Jas. Baguiley of N., to Alice Holland of Asht.-u-L.

The Manchester Baptismal Registers contain the following entries:—

- 1584, Sep. 27, Geo., s. of Geo. Holland of Newton.
 1585, May 30, John, s. of Adam Holland of Newton.
 1611, Dec. 1, Geo., s. of Adam Holland of ffaylesworth.
 1613-4, Mar. 6, Suzanna, d. of Theophilus Holland of Newton.
 1615, Aug. 27, Joseph, s. of Adam Holland, younger, of N.
 1616, Aug. 18, Martha, d. of Theophilus Holland of N.
 1617-8, Feb. 1, Theophilus, s. of Adam Holland of N.
 1618, Oct. 18, James, s. of Adam Holland of N.
 1620, Ap. 9, Anna, d. of Adam Holland of N.
 1620, Aug. 20, Abigal, d. of Theophilus Holland of N.
 1620-1, Mar. 4, Mary, d. of Adam H. y^e younger of Newton, and Elzth. Hartley of Newton, base.
 1621, Ap. 25, John, s. of Adam Holland of Newton, y^e younger.
 1621-2, Feb. 10, Adam, s. of Adam H. of N.
 1622, July 28, Mary, d. of Adam H. of N.
 1623, Aug. 31, Thos., s. of Adam H. of N.
 1625, May 15, Geo., s. of Adam H. of N.
 1626, Ap. 9, Geo., s. of Adam H. of N., th' elder.
 1626-7, Jan. 21, Elizth., d. of Adam H. of N.
 1627-8, Mar. 3, John, s. of Adam Holland of Newton.
 1628, Aug. 14, Jane, d. of Adam Holland of Newton.
 1628, Nov. 16, Sara, d. of Adam Holland of ffaylesworth.
 1629, Aug. 13, Sara, d. of Adam Holland of Newton, th' elder.
 1630, May 15, Adam, s. of Adam Holland of Newton.
 1630, Sep. 13, Saml., s. of Adam Holland of Newton, gent.
 1630-1, Jan. 16, Peeter, s. of Adam Holland of ffailsworth.
 1634, Ap. 20, Ogden, s. of Raphe Holland of N.
 1682, Sept. 13, Mary, d. of James Holland of N., gent.
 1684-5, Mar. 11, Margret, d. of James Holland of N., gent.
 1685, Dec. 3, Jas., s. of James Holland of N., gent.
 1695-6, Feb. 4, Mary, d. of Joseph Holland of N.
 1708, Mar. 28, John, s. of James Holland of N.

The Newton Registers record the following baptisms —

- 1683-4, Mar. 20, —, d. of Mr. James Holland of N.
 1685, —, Jas., s. of Mrs. Mary Holland of N., late widow.
 1686, Sep. 18, —, d. of Mr. Jas. Holland of N.
 1697 or 8, —, —, of Widow Holland of Bradford.
 1698 or 9, Aug. —, —, s. of Joseph Holland, junr., in Newton.
 1706-7, Jan. 10, Alice, d. of Eliz. Holland of Bradford.
 1708, Apr. —, —, s. to Jas. Hollond of N.

The Manchester Registers record the following burials:—

- 1578-9, Jan. 27, —, s. to Adam Holland of Newton.
 1590, Nov. 8, Jas., s. of Geo. Holland of Newton.
 1612-3, Mar. 2, Priscilla, wyffe of Adam H. of F.
 1620-1, Mar. 3, Mary, d. of Adam H. of N.
 1621, Oct. 1, John, s. of Adam H. y^e younger of N.
 1622, July 23, Isabell, wiffe of Adam Holl :
 Aug. 20, Adam, s. of Adam H. y^e yonger of N.
 Aug. 30, Marye, d. of Adam H y^e yonger of N.
 Oct. 25, Theophilus H. of N.
 1623, July 12, Abigall. d. of Theophilus H. of N.
 Oct. 30, Adam Holland.
 1624, Dec. 4, Adam Holland of N., yeom., housholder.
 1626-7, Jan. 5, Geo., s. of Adam H. of N.
 1629, May 18, Anne, y^e wid. of Geo. H. of N.
 Dec. 18, Sara, d. of Adam H. of N.
 1629-30, Jan. 26, Eliz., wid. of Adam H. of N., th' elder.
 1630, May 18, Eliz., wife of Adam H. y^e yonger of N.
 July 27, Adam, s. of Adam H. y^e yonger of N.
 1632, June 18, Anne, w. of Adam H. of F.
 1633, May 28, Adam H. of N., yeom.
 1636, Mar. 28, Peeter, s. of Adam H. of F.
 1649, June 6, Joseph, s. of Adam H. of N.
 1654, Sept. 29, John, s. of Adam H. of F., yeom.
 1655, July 20, Geo. Holland of Newton, yeom.
 Nov. 21, Adam H. of F., yeom.
 1656-7, Mar. 6, Ales, d. of Adam H. of Hulme Hall in N., gent.
 1657, May 22, Kath., w. of Geo. H. of N., yeom.
 1659-60, Jan. 20, Jas. H. of F., yeom.
 1662, Dec. 10, Eliz., d. of Jas. H. of Hulme Hall, gent.
 1672, —, James Holl. of N., gent.
 1674, Dec. 28, Thos. H., late of N., clerke, decd. at Oldham.
 1685, June 20, Jas. H. of Hulme Hall in N., gent.
 1690, July 24, Dionisius Holland of Hulme.
 1695, Ap. 25, Wm. H. of Bradford.
 1742-3, Feb. 3, Betty, d. of Thos. H. of Newton lane.

The Newton Register records amongst the burials:—

1706-7, Jan. 8, —, w. to Peter Holland of Bradford.

1713-4, Mar. 16, Peter Holl: of B.

1721, June —, Betty, d. of John H. of F.

1722, May 30, Saml., s. of John H. of F., weaver.

Oct. 18, Anne, d. of John H. of F., webster.

HULME.

THE widespread family of Hulme seems to have had at all times representatives throughout the Newton Chapelry District, and gave their name to Hulme Hall and Hulme Hall Lane in Newton, but they do not appear to have attained any leading position or to have otherwise left their mark on the history of the place.

The best known representative of the clan in the Newton District was Otho Hulme, who founded the firm of Otho Hulme & Sons, calico printers, who were for long well-known in Manchester; and had works at Medlock Vale.

A pedigree of this family of Hulmes is given. There were, however, from time to time other Otho Hulmes, who may have been related, but the connection has not been traced.

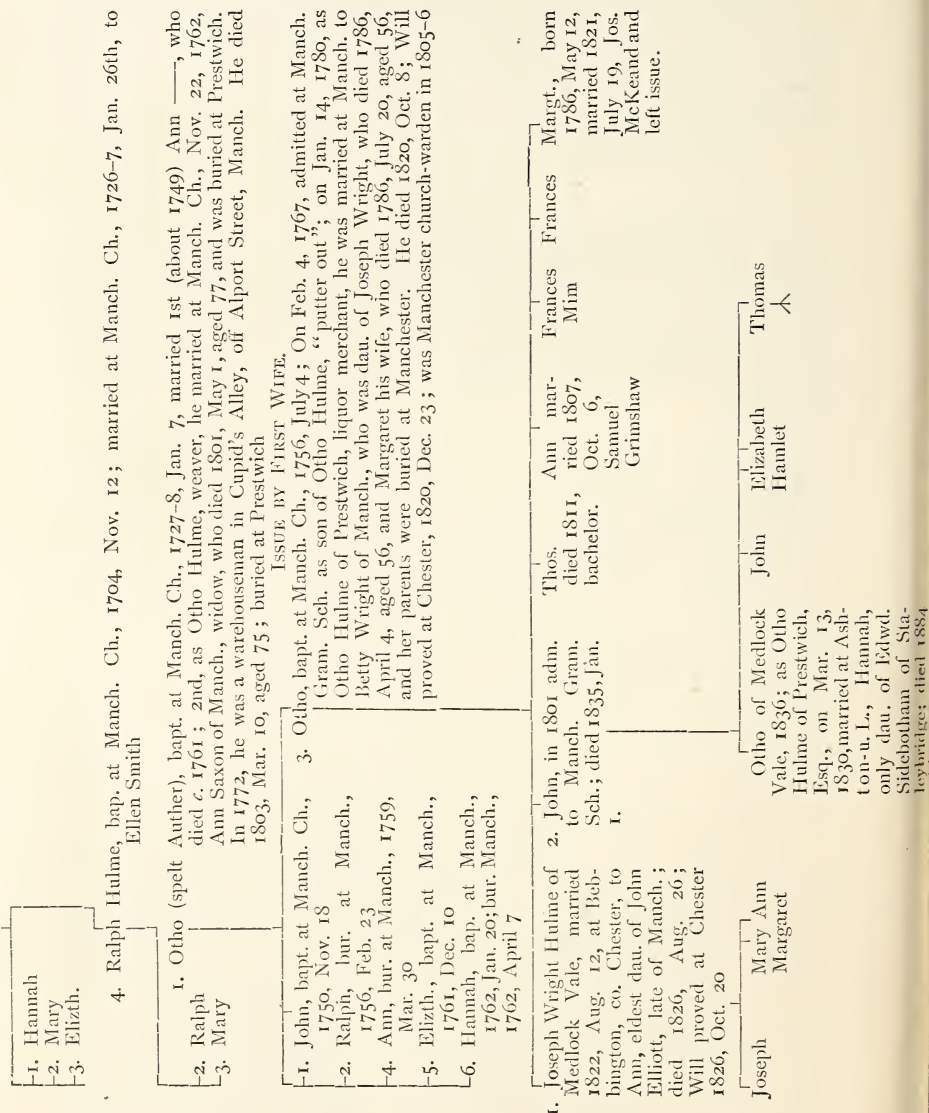
In 1681 Otho, son of Adam Hulme of Chetham, was buried at Manchester. Adam may have been related to Otho Hulme of Heaton Fallowfield in Prestwich Par., innkeeper, who died in 1675, and left a son Otho, of Milgate, Manchester, linen weaver, who died in 1725, leaving a son Ralph, born in 1704.

In 1724, Otho Hulme of Droylsden, aged eight, was apprenticed to Robert Holme or Hulme, of Blackley, linen weaver. Robert may have been related to his apprentice, and Robert of Blackley may have been related to Adam of Chetham, and to Otho of Heaton Fallowfield.

In 1761, Otho Hulme of Prestwich, weaver, died, leaving sons James and John, and daughter Sarah. He names no wife, but his Will was dated July 19, 1761, and was proved on Aug. 31, so he died meanwhile, and on Sep. 1, 1761, "Hannah, widow of Otho Hulme," was buried at Manchester. They were

OTHO HULME OF HEATON FALLOWFIELD, PRESTWICH PAR., INNKEEPER.

Will dated Oct. 18, 1675; proved at Chester, Jan. 17, 1675; buried at Middleton
 Otho Hulme of Milgate, Manchester; buried at Manchr. Coll. Ch., 1725, Nov. 26; Admon. (*infra*) with
 inventory granted at Chester, 1731-2



probably related to the Otho of Heaton in Prestwich, who died in 1675.

In 1772, Otho (son of Ralph Hulme), and Edmund Hulme, were warehousemen in Cupid's Alley, off Alport Street, Manchester, and may have been related to one another. Otho, son of Ralph was born in 1728, and in 1767, he, as Otho of Manchester, putter out, entered his son Otho at the Grammar School. A putter out was one who employed weavers.

In 1790, Otho was a merchant and manufacturer at 15 McDonald's Lane, and in 1797 at 42 Cannon Street, Manchester, where the business remained till 1824 at least. He died in 1820, leaving a son Joseph Wright who died in 1826, and a son John who died in 1835, and whose son Otho died in 1884, when the business passed from the Hulmes and has since been discontinued.

Otho, son of Ralph, had children baptised at Manchester between Nov. 1750 and Dec. 10, 1761. He lived till 1803, but his wife Ann seems to have died in 1761, and on Nov. 22, 1762, Otho Hulme of Manchester, weaver [and employer of weavers?], married at Manchester, Ann Saxon, widow. He remarried probably for the sake of his youngest child. Ann the second wife died 1801, May 1, aged 77, and was buried at Prestwich.

The Otho Hulme family of Medlock Vale, Newton, cannot be shown to be related to the Hulmes of Newton, after whom Hulme Hall and Hulme Hall Lane were called, nor with William Hulme, who founded the Hulmeian Exhibitions at Brasenose College, Oxford, who was of Bolton birth, and whose mother was possibly connected with the Hulmes of Radcliffe, and they with the Prestwich Hulmes from whom the Hulmes of Medlock Vale descended. (*Sed quære; vide* Chet. Soc. lxxx, p. 156.)

Thomas Hulme, brother of Otho Hulme who died in 1884 is still living at Stretford, and has a son Otho living at Urmston.

Margaret Hulme, daughter of the Otho who died in 1820, married Joseph McKeand, whose grandson Charles Pilling McKeand, was a well-known barrister in Manchester.

DR. JOHN PEGG.

JOHN PEGG was a surgeon in general practice at Newton Heath. He studied anatomy in 1827-8, under Dr. Edward Stephens at the Manchester School of Anatomy in Mount Street, and the Manchester Directory for 1838 gives his name and address as Pegg, John, surgeon, Newton Heath.

He was medical officer for the Newton District of the Prestwich Union, and died Dec. 8, 1862, aged 50.¹

He caused drawings to be made the exact size, and in facsimile of the ancient stained glass in Middleton Church, and in 1845 allowed them to be reproduced in James's *Iter Lancastrense*. (Chet. Soc., see note p. 38.) The original drawings form part of Mr Albert Sutton's collection of Lancashire prints and drawings.

Elijah Ridings, the Failsworth poet, refers to Dr. Pegg as the Good Samaritan in *Ale v. Physic* :—

Aw're gooin' down bi th' doctor's shop
 At the top o' Newton Yeth,
 When theer aw gan a sudden stop
 An' began t' be feeort o' death.

* * * *

Aw grope't mi way to th' Doctor's house,
 And theer I tumble't down :
 An' th' floor it ga' me sich a souse
 Aw welly broke mi crown.
 Now, what wur th' doctor thinkin' on
 For't bring me to mysel',
 An' save a sick and deein' mon
 So feeort o' deeoeth an' hell?
 He use't no lance—he use't no drug,
 That strengthens or that soothes,
 But he brought some strong ale in a jug
 That had come fro' Bill-o'-Booth's.

¹ The Failsworth Poor Accounts show a payment of 2s. 6d., made on Oct. 16, 1819 (when this Dr. Pegg would be only seven), to Dr. Pegg, from which it is perhaps to be inferred that this John Pegg was the second generation in the medical profession, and some of the notices here given may therefore relate to the father and not to the son.

He put it i' mi wackerin' hont
That wur so pale an' thin—
Aw swipe't it o' off at a wynt—
An' aw've never ailt nought sin.

In November, 1832, Dr. Pegg and other Newton notables were the subject of a satire called "*The Newton Heath Squib*, an occasional satirical publication." It was a two page broad-sheet in verse, with a prose prelude. A copy of "No. 1, vol. i, second edition," is preserved at the Manchester Reference Library. At the end is a prospectus of the second number, which however never appeared. The anonymous writer (Elijah Ridings?) first hits at the parson, saying that he thought of ornamenting his squib with a classical motto, and offered the Rev. T[homas] G[askell] half-a-crown for one, not quoted above nine hundred and ninety times, but the parson had forgotten the small modicum of learning driven into him at school and college; he adds that the clerical worthy preached, in a deserted church, from the moiety of a watch box, perhaps from lithographic copies got up for those who have not talent to write, nor industry to copy, from old sermon writers. He also alleges that, at a meeting of the Newton Heath Temperance Society, the clerical gentleman stated that he had drank [sic] nothing for many years stronger than milk, his countenance blushing vermilion and cerulean, but the Rev. B. B. of B. exclaimed with Falstaff: "Lord, how the world is given to lying," adding that he had drank [sic] sometime since, not long, three bottles of wine along with the rev. gent. in his study, and he did not get above half of it.

Notwithstanding the author's mistakes in grammar, he asserts in the prelude that the errors in the squib had been corrected by the editor of the *Newton Heath Washtub Chronicle*, who was a college friend of the rev. gent.'s, "him of our Chapelry, who has a plentiful lack of wit." The squib seems to have originated in some noisy vestry meeting held not long before or possibly the October meeting of the Newton Court Leet.

I.

What news? what news? On Newton Heath what news?
 The tory parson has some wooden pews
 To let; he grins in rage and shows his teeth,
 To bite the Radicals on Newton Heath.
 This is the bitterest of the shovel hat gang;
 Each loyal subject now he fain would hang
 Upon a lamp-post, and then say his prayers,
 And drink his port, to drown his restless cares.

II.

What news? pray tell me what's in vogue,
 On Newton Heath with every fool and rogue,
 From the vermilion priest to Philip Lank [Lancashire?]
 All paunch, and guts, and blubber, gross and rank?
 He swaggers in his boots, with empty pate,
 Uttering his lies at a tremendous rate
 To the old parson, with the Bardolph face,
 Who butters his beefsteak, before he says the "grace."
 With a hard heart, except to his own kind;
 Yet imbecile in body and in mind,
 If you're a beggar, trembling on a crutch,
 He knocks you down, his tory wrath is such.

III.

What news? That veteran of the D[uke] of Y[ork Inn]
 That creature still is at his dirty work;
 That batter'd hack; that subtile parish rogue
 Of half a century is still in vogue.

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IV.

Pray, who is this, that's foaming at the mouth?
 The strangest character from north to south:
 I'll swear Iago's play'd a dirty trick,
 And this eccentric healer of the sick [Dr. Pegg]
 Has gotten put into this angry mood,
 Talking about it on the public road.
 Wait till he's calm: with words, as quick as rain
 Descends in April showers, will he entertain
 The wisest till you cross him: then he'll run
 Off, like a shot from any sportsman's gun;
 But, if you can for one brief hour detain
 This man of medicine, with his well stor'd brain,
 Whatever you may know of human kind,
 He will enrich your cabinet of mind.

V.

But who comes next? Ah! one of the third sex,
 A twaddling bachelor * * * *
 With one hand for the Church, the state's old spouse,
 And one for th' Unitarian meeting house.

VI.

Something too much of blame: now let me praise

* * * *

'Tis said that they, who've had the parson's door
 Thrown in their face, e'en the infirm and poor,
 Have told their tale of misery not in vain,
 To this good man [Thomas Todd?] who hath relieved their pain.

* * * *

VII.

And now I point the satirist's gall-dipt pen
 In fearless ire to Willey's¹ boozing ken.
 See that deformed, transform'd, red wafer face,
 To th' human form a flagrant disgrace.
 But which * * * *
 I can compare, by way of a relief
 Unto the strawberry-spotted handkerchief
 Of gentle Desdemona in the play;
 Where rogue Iago's wife steals it away.
 He who along with that rich butcher L[eng],
 According as the parish minstrels sing,
 Hir'd for a quart of *some one's* drugged swipes,
 Which if you drink you're sure to have the gripes,
 A ragamuffin fellow to profane
 The name of God in the most savage strain,
 And kick up a *Bell's Life in London* row,
 Backed with a vile ex-pawnbroker, who now
 Is a commissioner of trusts, or tolls,
 And common sewers and fragrant privy holes.
 When the old parson, with a pious shout,
 Cried from the chair, "Pray turn that fellow out."

VIII.

O ye great gourmands of the Court Leet crew
 What are the words to truly picture you?

* * * *

Is't true, that one of your own boozing ken
 One of your jury, not the best of men,

¹ Compare Elijah Riding's description of Bill-o'-Booth's, *see* Index.

(I don't mean him who, at a market dinner,
 Bolted a duck, afraid of growing thinner,
 While his old dad, now gone to Kingdom come,
 Bolted another, i'th' same dining room)
 Ate like a glutton, then fell on his rump,
 And would have died, but for the stomach pump.

IX.

What is the business of the Court Leet crew?
 Can you inform me what it is they do?
 * * If you should arise
 To make a motion¹, they turn up their eyes
 In indignation, or complete surprise.

* * * *

'Tis not the four-inch bridges, gates, and stiles,
 And watercourses of old Rigg [*v. post*] and Fildes.

X.

The worst remains behind. I need not name
 A rascal, dead alike to truth and shame.
 I hear he meditated—stop my pen—
 Something unhallow'd—what the hardest men,
 Infernal Burkers, would not [or] did not brook,
 And yet this devil with a human face
 Tried but he fail'd * *
 Once in my clutches, I shall hold him fast,
 And hang him up where Russell² breath'd his last.

XI.

But to conclude. Should Christ come to this town,
 And ride His ass o'er Newton, up and down,
 Gaskell and Renshaw, and their pious race
 Would shun him, or else giggle in His face.
 While Christopher [Todd?] among the puppet crowd,
 To gratify the rest, might bawl aloud,
 When he had twigg'd him thro' his quizzing glass,
 "God dem me, Bob, here's Sancho on his ass."

* * * *

Their ruffians hir'd would seize him by the throat,
 And Philip Lank would cast lots for His coat.

¹ See Riding's *Village Muse*, 1848 ed., p. xiv. "Wm. Barratt moved, without a secondér, at the Newton Court Leet, that Newton be included in the new Manchester Parliamentary Borough."

² Hanged on Newton Heath.

XII.

Go forth my Satire's weapon, from its sheath,
To wound the hypocrites on Newton Heath.

* * * *

What I have written shall not die unseen,
But live awhile to keep their memories green.

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From first to last, defying every knave,
Who crawls to church, and cringes like a slave,
While mumbling Zadoc¹ hobbles towards his grave!

XIII.

And now the printer biddeth me remember
This number's long enough, and next November
I'll write another, if the three black crows
I sent to tweak our parson's cherry nose
Will but enshroud me, in their ebon wings,
From Courts of Law, and such infernal things.

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In the prelude the author suggests that the reader who received it gratis might light his pipe with it, and give the author a hearty curse, after the manner of Dr. Pegg. Light is thrown on the identity of some of the foregoing victims by the Prospectus of the second number which was to include :—

Newton Heath Conservatives, Whigs, Radical Reformers. A bacchanalian story of the parsonage house; Church and state. The furniture broker and the bugs. Account of the manner in which Deputy [Constable] Lank [Lancashire?] vermicularized himself into his tithe proctorship; Sundry falsehoods of the aforesaid worthy; A tale of the Church.

The late T[homas] T[odd] Esq.; his memorial contiguous to the watch-box; Appropriate inscription in lieu of the present one, unadvisedly written by the Rev. T[homas] G[askell].

Apostrophe to the Lock-ups; A cubic foot of noxious air taken from under the Lock-ups door analysed, and found to contain similar properties in similar proportions to the air of the poison valley discovered by a late enterprising traveller [Renshaw's *Travels in Egypt*!].

A local militia story; Bobby Keymer's miseries.

Appropriate sketch of the Shakespear coterie who obtained the inclusion of Newton in the borough of Manchester; Downright scandal

¹ Mr. Gaskell was 71 in 1832.

of such an important proceeding emanating from the wise acres of a beer-shop.

Cobbett's visit to Newton ; his speech. On dits of Jerry Hopwood and Chris. Todd. The former's theft of a gun from Newton Grange ; his visit to Oldham, and the loss of his breeches ; general state of his breeches.

A tale of mystery connected with the poor house ; a woman burnt to death ; neglected state of the poor house ; estimate of the malaria thence emanating.

Another slap at the Court-leet ; graphic description of the Court at the juncture when the stultuses' [fools] silver cup was voted to a superannuated overseer ; Express wish of the chop-sticks [pauper fire-wood cutters] that the poor rates in future be mal-appropriated, for the exclusive use of the Overseer and Deputy Constable ; destruction of the poor house agitated ; Messrs. Wood and Todd's speeches on the occasion ; deep impression made by the former ; charity of the latter ; his sympathies for the poor.

Toppin W—, bailiff and ale-couner to the Court leet.

Dr. Pegg drowning ; his dying speech, his prayers, and extraordinary anathema.

Andrew Clegg's auto-biography ; account of his interview with Lord Sidmouth extracted ; portraits of the reformers in Lord Sidmouth's cabinet. *Jack-at-P's a county voter.* Captain Ass-pull's [Aspell's] support of Heywood and the Reform Bill ; hopes of his ultimate improvement ; disappointed in his late retrogradatory step, in plumping and canvassing for Hope, the fawning parasite of Church and State. Newton list of voters, clumsily compiled by the assistant overseer of more than twenty years' experience.

Queries respecting the poor's land.

Ancient history of the chapelry of Newton, compiled from authentic sources ; official records of the Court leet. Translation of a Saxon *MS.* found in the ruins of Newton Chapel. Isherwood's burnt barn¹ ; contributions to rebuild it.

Scholes' threats to give the Newton radicals an extravagant assessment next year.

Milk and water ; Conduct of the bye-law men ; Walter's song "Around the huge oak" [*v.p.* 43] ; a sketch of the Newton Heath chop-sticks [paupers] and cowkeepers ; exorbitant price of milk ; necessity of breaking down this monopoly ; arrogance of the cow-keepers' humbled ; report of their meetings at mother Fiddle-faddle's to prevent reductions.

Taylor's eloquence at the Duke of York. A few items from the private accounts of the overseers ; Mr. Wm. Barratt's speech at a vestry meeting ; *Bill-at-Tim's Tale, in his own vernacular Lancashire,*

¹ Referring perhaps to Burnt Barn Farm in Failsworth and a Brief for its re-building.

of pulling down the "*Crown of Glory*"; the rev. vestry chairman's pulmonary expectorations; specimen of his Latinity; imitation of Cicero; the latter's attempt at verse, a ridiculous failure. Walker, the two-penny schoolmaster's knowledge of syntax; specimen of his manner of addressing a company; his speech at The Shears. A Newton Heath mathematical tyro, and the *pons asinorum* of Euclid.

Old Rigg [*v. ante*], purveyor of nightsoil, *exempli gratia*, his meddling with a considerable number of privy-holes. Mr. John Wood, and the aforesaid muck-worm.

Dispute about a right of road; boundaries of the township of Newton delineated.

Account of the barn, kitchen, and calico chapels *seriation*; a tale of the chimney corner of the kitchen chapel.

Caustic criticism on Renshaw's travels in Egypt. Mother Fiddle-faddle's barnacles; extraordinary attack on her cows' tails; her hopeful son's flagellation of the Cobbettites at the late Meeting.

Mark Philips at school; severe catechetical examination of Philips by a non-elect.

Memoirs of a Cumberland leather breeches-maker. Heraldic emblazonment of the Todd family. Introspective view of Culcheth Hall on the night of the King's birthday. Eawr Philips swaggering of his property; his saying that the radicals were thieves and pickpockets.

A clergyman's visit to an ancient moated mansion [Clayton Hall?] for a sinister purpose.

TREVOR.

COUNCILLOR WM. TREVOR, J.P., was born at Medlock Vale, Jan. 9, 1840, and was at an early age employed at Daisy Bank Mill, Newton Heath. About 1872 he left Daisy Bank and became managing partner in Mr. John Robinson's linen and cotton manufacturing business, and their Culcheth Lane Mill soon enjoyed a high reputation for their goods.

The writer of a notice of him in *Manchester Faces and Places*, vol. v., pp. 1-4, where his portrait is also given, describes him as strong, self-reliant, and straight-forward, which all who know him will recognise as well-earned epithets.

In 1889 when the Lancashire County Council was formed, Mr. Trevor was the first representative for the Newton Heath and Failsworth District, and in 1891, when Newton Heath was joined to Manchester, he was elected on the City Council for

that Ward. In 1892 he was put on the Manchester Commission of the Peace.

WHITWORTH.

FROM a younger branch of the old family of Whitworth, of Whitworth Hall in Newton, Manchester Parish, descended Charles Whitworth son of Rich. Whitworth of Adbaston, co Stafford, Esq., and his wife Ann, daughter of Rev. Francis Mosley, M.A., formerly Fellow of Manchester Collegiate Church and brother of the first Lord Whitworth.

Charles Whitworth of Trinity College, Cambridge, graduated A.B. in 1699. He was first cousin of Rev. Dr. Hooper, Chetham's Librarian. He left Manchester for a living in Kent, March 1724. (*Chet. Soc.*, vol. 21, NS., p. 202.)

The Manchester and Newton Registers contain the following entries :—

Baptisms at Manchester Collegiate Church :—

- 1582, April 11, Jas., s. of John Whitworth of Newton.
- 1606, Oct. 12, Jas., s. of John Whytworth of Scotland [in N.]
- 1610, Sep. 16, Maria, d. of Raphe Whitworth of Newton
- 1614-5, feb. 12, Jane, d. of Richd. Whitworth of Newton.
- 1615-6, feb. 11, John, s. of Richd. Whitworth of Newton.
- 1685, Oct., Abigail, d. of Joseph Whitworth of Failsworth.
- 1693, May or June, —, s. of Joseph Whitworth of Failsworth.
- 1697 or 8, —, —, d. of Joseph Whitworth of Failsworth.
- 1702, —, Elizth., d. of Joseph Whitworth of Failsworth.
- 1775, Jan. 15, James, s. of Robt. and Hannah Whitworth, at Newton.

Burials at Manchester Collegiate Church :—

- 1589, Sep. 17, Richd. Whitworthe of Newton, howseholder.
- 1590-1, Jan. 27, Rauffe Whitworthe of Newton.
- 1605-6, Jan. 26, John Whitworthe y^e elder of Newton, not of y^e plague.
- 1608-9, Feb. 19, James Whitworthe of Newton, Howseholder.
- 1609, June 24, The wyddowe of Raphe Whitworth of Newton.
- 1615, May 1, Jane, d. of Richd. Whitw. of N.
- 1619, Dec. 29, Anne, y^e wyffe of John Whitw. of N., gent.
- 1620-1, Mar. 20, John Whitw. of N., yeom.
- 1621, Dec. 12, Anne, widowe of Peeter Whitw. of N.
- Dec. 31, Jeremye, s. of Raphe Whitw. of N.
- 1621-2, Feb. 24, Raphe Whitw. of N.
- 1625-6, Jan. 14, John Whitw. of N., yeom.
- 1627, Marie, d. of Raphe Whitw. of N.

- 1635, May 4, Margret, widowe of Richd. Whitw. of N.
 1647-8, Mar. 9, Richd. Whitw. of N., sen^r, yeom.
 1652-3, Mar. 2, Richd. Whitw. of N., yeom.
 1654-5, Mar. 5, John Whitw. of N., yeom.
 1655, Apr. 27, ffrances, wife of Richd. Whitw. of N., yeom.
 1663-4, Jan. 27, Isabell Whitw. of N., widow.
 1682-3, Mar. 25, Grace Whitw. of ffailsworth, widow.

Burials at Newton Chapel :—

- 1711-2, Jan. 15, Sam^l, s. to Jos^h. Whitw. of F.
 1718, June 6, Joseph Whitw. of F.
 1727, —, Eliz. Whitw. of Failsworth, wid.

[See further Whitworth Hall, *post*.]

WILLIAMSON.

MR. HIGSON in his *MS.*, p. 40, states that :—The oldest remaining gravestone in Newton Churchyard is inscribed to the memory of “William Williamson of Newton, who was buried 9th November, 1689 ; of Mary Partington, wife to John Partington and eldest daughter to William Williamson of Newton, gentleman, who pre-deceased her father and was buried 25 January, 1672.” [His wife Elizabeth was buried at Newton in 1677.]

Newcome's *Diary* (Chet. Soc., vol. xxv., p. 144), on Oct. 31, 1664, tells us :—We were several of us concerned in the case of William Williamson [who had a yarn croft in Manchester six years previously], who was now removing to an house in Newton, which he had built from the ground ; and now, when he should come, it was greatly disturbed. We were there this day (Monday), and kept part of it in prayer with him on this account. It pleased God that, after a little while, the house had quiet, and they removed to it, and found it a peaceable habitation, which we afterwards met to bless the Lord for.” (Higson *MS.*, p. 40.)

Heywood records in his *Diary* (vol. ii., p. 211), Mr. W. Williamson of Newton Heath, a rich man of £300 a year, totally distracted now half a year, continues so, hath five men waiting on him. The Northowram Register, p. 76, records :—Mr. Wm. Williamson of Newt. Hth. was buried at Manchr., 9 Nov., 1689, aged 66. A great tradesman, got £300 per ann., distracted mania,

Mr. Nathan Heywood in *Lanc. and Chesh. Antiq. Soc.*, vol v., p. 86, describes two tokens issued at Newton.

The first has on the face or obverse the inscription WILLIAM. WILLIAMSON . OF = HIS . HALF . PENY . 1669, and on the reverse NEWTON . NEAR . MANCHESTER = W . W . [Also 1667.]

The other token is not so certainly of Newton near Manchester. The obverse inscription was IEFFERY . WILLISON = Two pipes and a roll of tobacco, and the reverse bore IN . NEWTON . 1667 = HIS . HALFE . PENNY . I . I . W . [Grocer.]

Administration, with Inventory, of the effects of William Williamson of Manchester, was granted at Chester in 1673.

WILSON.

GEO. WILSON, Chairman of the Anti-Corn Law League and afterwards Chairman of Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company, was son of a flour dealer near New Cross, Manchester, and was himself a starch manufacturer at Newton Heath. Cobden used to say of him that Wilson would always see the end of anything from the beginning. He used to keep plenty of loose silver and copper in his pocket which he gave to every suppliant he met, and said he was satisfied if there was one out of the lot that deserved it. (Slugg's *Reminiscences*, p. 109.)

WOLFENDEN.

ON Mar. 19, 1621-2, Robt. Wooffenden of Newton, yeom. purchased from John Streete of Moston, yeom., for £34, a dwelling house in Moston in the houldinge of Edmund Lees, and another there in tenure of James Ranesley and a croft there. (Clowes' *Evidences*.)

WOOD.

IN September 1759, Mr. Wood of Newton, in the parish of Manchester, yeoman, was one of the persons for whose life a lease of land at Hattersley, in Mottram parish was granted.

About 1800, "Wood was a good alto singer from Newton Heath" at the Gentlemen's Concerts in Manchester. (*Manch. Collect.*, Chet. Soc., vol. lxxii., p. 84.)

There was a firm of Wood & Wright, who were calico printers at Bank Bridge, Clayton Vale.

WROE.

ON Aug. 16, 1712, John Wroe of Scotland within Newton, in Manchester parish, gent., devised his messuage, lands, etc., in Gorton, to Matthew Greaves of Manchester, merchant, on trust, and also his messuage, etc., in Newton, that is to say to sell the same and pay all Wroe's just debts, etc., afterwards Matthew Greaves to have £20, to testator's mother £5 for mourning, to his sister Sarah Wroe £20, and all his pictures and fine needleworks in her mother's chamber, all his fine needleworks in his own possession, and £5 for mourning upon condition that she released all demands and, if she refused, the same to pass to his executor; to his cousin John Wroe of Smawdale, co. Derby, gent., £30, and £10 to his brother Nathaniel, £40 to his executor in trust to pay the yearly interest thereof to the trustees to be nominated for the teaching of poor children of poor persons, inhabitants of Newton aforesaid, to read and write English; all the residue was left to Matthew Greaves, and he was appointed sole executor. Mr. John Wroe of Newton, was buried at Manchester, Sept. 11, 1712. Mr. Matthew Greaves proved the Will at Chester, Nov. 10, 1722, and the Inventory taken Sept. 18, 1722, showed farming stock, household goods, etc., and that land at Scotland sold for £640, and land at Gorton sold for £165, total of Inventory £884 13s. 9d. (Lanc. and Chesh. Wills, vol. iii., see Chet. Sec., NS., vol. 37, pp. 84-5.)

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Baptisms at Manchester Collegiate Church :—

- 1622, Nov. 3, Margt.; d. of Edward Wroe of F.
- 1628, Dec. 6, Edward, s. of Edward Wroe of Killshall Hall.
- 1631, June 12, Anna, d. of Edmund Wroe of N.
- 1634, Aug. 24, Richd., s. of Edward Wroe of N.

Burials at Manchester :—

- 1626, July 20, A child of Edward Wroe's of Culcheth.
- 1627, Aug. 26, Anne, wife of Edward Wroe of Newton.

- 1636, Apr. 7, Marye, d. of Edward Wroe of Newton.
 Aug. 4, Anna, d. of Edward Wroe of Newton.
 1652, Oct. 2, John Wroe of N., yeom.
 1653, June 25, Mary, w. of Edwd. Wroe of N., chapman.
 1657, Ap. 14, Richd., s. of Edwd. Wroe of N., senior.
 1660-1, Mar. 2, Elizth., wife of Edwd. Wroe of Scotland in N., yeom.
 1668-9, Feb. 10, Mary, d. of Edwd. Wroe of N., gent.
 1674, July 14, Jane, d. of Edwd. Wroe of N., gent.
 1680-1, Jan. 29, Jas., s. of Edwd. Wroe of N.
 1687, Oct. 4, Elizth., d. of Edwd. Wroe of N.
 1689, May 25, Wm., s. of Edwd. Wroe of N.
 1691, Nov. 6, Richd., s. of Edwd. Wroe of N., gent.
 1692, July 11, Hannah, d. of Edwd. Wroe of N., gent.
 1703, June 21, Edward Wroe of N.
 1712, Sep. 11, Mr. John Wroe of N.

Marriages at Manchester :—

- 1757, Apr. 16, Jas. Wroe of Moston, weaver, and Hannah Wolstenholme of Failsw.
 1770, Oct. 30, Lud Wroe, weaver, and Alice Taylor, wid., of F.
 1773, Feb. 22, John Wroe, husbdm., and Bridget Brown, wid., Newt., Lic.
 1780, Aug. 5, Jas. Wroe, weaver, and Alice Pimbley of F.
 1783, June 1, Jas. Wroe, silk weaver, and Lettice Taylor, F.
 1787, Ap. 9, Thos. Clegg of F., cott. spinner, and Martha Wroe of Moston, wid.
 1788, Aug. 24, Thos. Etchells of N., weaver, and Susannah Wroe of F.
 1792, Dec. 16, Ashton Asshton, weaver, and Hannah Wroe of F.
 1798, Sep. 3, Geo. Hibbert, cordwainer, and Mary Wroe of F., wid.
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CHAPTER IV.

PLACES¹.

STREAMS.

BEYOND the Newton Brook, Moston Brook, Morris Brook, Shooters' Brook, Bradford or Grange or Della Brook, Flash Ditch, Mill Houses or Failsworth Brook, and River Medlock, the natural streams in Newton have now no distinctive names, and are or were little better than ditches, and even the various cloughs (each possessed of a stream of some kind, and probably in ancient days distinguished by some descriptive name) leading into the Moston Brook or the River Medlock have now-a-days no other names than those of the farmers occupying the adjoining land.

According to the late Jo. Miller, Shooter's Brook formed a large marsh, to which water birds flocked in great numbers, and Della Brook was noted for snipe. (*All Saints' Par. Mag.*, Dec., 1874.) This marsh was doubtless the Shiter flat which is named in old records, and the name became corrupted into Shooters' brook, possibly by reason of the sport which used to be had there.

ROADS: BACK LANE OR ROMAN ROAD.

DR. THOS. PERCIVAL (see also *Archæol.*, vol. i., art. xv., p. 62, for his letter dated July 6th, 1760, about this road), communicated to the Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society some observations on Roman Colonies and Stations in Lancashire and Cheshire, and in describing this road (the tenth Iter of

¹ It would swell the dimensions of this volume unduly to have further put together all the scattered notices relating to each place or family, and reference should be made to the Index to supplement these notes.

Antonine), he states that "it crosses the very middle of Newton Heath, Newton Chapel standing on the very ridge of it. Standing at the west end of the Chapel you see the trace of it into Bradford Lane. Standing at the east end you see the trace of it go behind a house and a barn on the east end of the common. It then runs through the enclosures to Mr. Wagstaff's house, where it enters a lane and is visible enough. In about four hundred yards more, being interrupted by a moss, it rises with a prodigious grandeur¹ and is the finest remains of a Roman road in England that I ever saw. This is at the back of Mr. Jenkinson's house in Failsworth, his land lying on both sides, and is now called Street. It is visible for half a mile more along a back lane leading to Hollinwood, but on the lane turning to the common it strikes across a meadow of Mr. Whitehead's and is visible for a small part of it." (*Lanc. and Ches. Antiq. Soc.*, vol. xvi., p. 85.)

Mr. W. T. Watkin, in *Roman Lancashire* (Liverpool, 1883, pp. 50-2), describes the remains of this Roman Imperial Road from Manchester to Cambodunum (Slack near Huddersfield).

He notes that Whitaker, Mr. Just, and E. Butterworth have described it.

Whitaker (*Hist. of Manch.*, 1771 ed., vol. i., p. 84; 1773 ed., vol. i., p. 124; see also Horsley's *Brit. Romana*, 1732, p. 413),

¹ In *Iter Lancastrense* (Chet. Soc., vol. vii.), which was written in 1636, at line 33, p. 2, the author, Rev. Richd. James, relates in verse his visit to Squire Ashton of Middleton, and continues :—

Next day Summe miles beyond thy home
Mounted uppon thy horses we did rome,
Under thy guidance, to a Roman waye,
High cast yet standing as perchance it laye,
From Yorck to Chester.
Our wayes are gulph of durte and mire, which none
Scarce ever passe in summer withoute moane;
Whilst theirs through all y^e world were no less free
Of passadge then y^e race of Wallisee;
O'er broken moores, deepe mosses, lake and ferne
Now worcks of giants deem'd, not arte of men.

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So did their businesse speede, and armyes flye,
From East to West like lightning in the skye.

traced it from the east gate of Campfield on the banks of the Medlock, at the Knott Mill end of Deansgate, Manchester.

It ran eastwardly across Deansgate, and at right angles to it, and so continued some distance before taking a turn to the north east, following approximately the line of Travis Street and Mill Street, Ancoats, and entered Newton Township to the west of Hulme Hall Lane, which it crossed at right angles.

It was raised above the natural surface of the ground, and Whitaker traced it beyond Ancoats Lane and Butlers Lane, the ridge being visible all the way. In one place it was sixteen or seventeen yards in width, and had a depth of a yard, of which the upper quarter was marl and the lower quarter gravel.

At Newton Heath, Whitaker (whose connection with Newton and youthful acquaintance with this Roman Road may have inspired him to write his celebrated History), found 150 yards of the ridge still visible, and Mr. Watkin saw it there in 1857, near Cheetham Fold. Mr. Just [correctly] said the Church stood upon it, and he found further traces most of the way between Newton Heath and Failsworth, but Mr. Watkin failed to do so in 1857. Probably this was due to the canal partly following the old road line.

At Failsworth a morass had caused its preservation. It was here called Street or Street Lane, and in Whitaker's time, as already shown, its remains had a very imposing appearance for over a mile. The moss through drainage operations seems to have shrunk on each side, and had left the road showing in a ridge, not less than a yard and a half above the surrounding land, and for seventy yards it was six yards high. The paved surface had gone and Whitaker only found gravel.

Mr. Miller, in *All Saints' Par. Mag.*, Sept. 1874, states that the boggy part was made passable by large oak beams laid transversely, and in Gaskel Street, which follows the line of the old road, Edmund Shaw, a farm labourer, drew with a pair of horses, from the bottom of this road, thirty logs of oak, so decayed that they could only be used for supporting hay stacks, or for firewood.

In 1844 Sir Henry Dryden prepared drawings and sections of this part of the road. These showed an average height of twelve and a quarter feet, with a width at the crown of about twenty feet, broadening to sixty feet at the base, and Sir Henry found the mound was formed of earth, covered with gravel, to a depth of two feet six inches on the crown, and one foot eight inches on the sides.

NEWTON LANE OR OLDHAM ROAD.

It is a circumstance inviting discussion that almost parallel with Back Lane or Roman Road, and only some 450 yards to the north-west of it at Newton Chapel, there is another highway namely the Oldham Road. It has ousted the Roman Road entirely as a means of communication between Manchester and Oldham, or Manchester and Yorkshire, and it is not improbably the older of the two roads.

There is little doubt that, before the Romans came to these parts or to any part of England, the inhabitants had towns or villages at Manchester and Oldham.

In the case of Manchester the British town was at the confluence of the Irk and Irwell, and was fortified by a semi-circular wall and ditch from river to river, following the line of Cateaton Street, Hanging Ditch and Long Millgate.

It was from this British town of Manchester that the old road to Oldham started passing up Shudehill and Swan Street to New Cross,¹ and there it twined to the north to Oldham. A branch or continuation of the road ran forward along Ancoats

¹ New Cross was an obelisk with weathercock on it, that stood where Swan Street, Oldham Road, and Great Ancoats Street meet. A market called New Cross Shambles was held round it. It was called New Cross to distinguish it from the Old Cross, with pillory and stocks, in Market Place. Before 1772 there was nothing but a footpath from this point across the fields to Daubholes, where the Infirmary now stands. In 1772 a town's meeting adopted or took over the repair of the "new street called Oldham Street," which replaced the old footpath. Old Tommy Walmsley, a Failsworth weaver, used to remember turning off at New Cross through a steel (stile) hole on to the path. (Waugh's *Roads out of Manchester*.)

Lane towards Ashton-under-Lyne, but with that we are not now immediately concerned, further than to remark that Ancoats Lane is probably older than the Roman Road and was crossed by it.

It is clear that the conservative Britons did not take to the Roman Road but preferred their old track, which turned off at New Cross along higher ground than that taken by the Romans.

This old track had the irregular width common to very ancient roads, the width being due to the road having been formed at a time when the land on each side was unenclosed like a prairie or veldt, and passengers could at will wander to one side or other of the beaten track, whenever that track was too muddy or otherwise inconvenient.

This inherent right to deviate on either side was the reason why, when the adjacent land was cultivated and gradually enclosed, waste strips were left along the roadsides, causing the road to vary in width and to be more or less waving in its course.

As time went on and more attention was paid to repairing the road surface, the necessity for deviation was obviated, and as manorial supervision of the waste strips became relaxed, land grabbing came in vogue and the wastes were enclosed to form part of the adjoining fields, or squatters formed clay pits or manure heaps, and erected small buildings, such as hen houses and pig cotes, and finally cottages with gardens or crofts alongside or in front, as bit after bit of the waste strips was annexed.

This process went on at Newton in spite of the Manorial Court, and in places the lane was considerably narrowed by the time the Manchester, Oldham and Austerlands Turnpike Act was passed in 1734. That Act expired Nov. 1, 1880. (W. Harrison in Lanc. and Chesh. Antiq. Soc., vol. x., p. 238.)

In 1734 this road was known as Newton Lane all the way from Manchester to Newton, and this must be remembered when dealing with old records in which the expression "Newton Lane" frequently refers only to the portion close to Manchester.

Thus by Will dated Nov. 22, 1520, Matthew Becke of Manchester, left vis. viij*d.* to the mending of Newton Lane. On Oct. 4, 1552, the Manchester Court Leet ordered Lawrence Langley under a penalty of xx*d.* to dyke his ditch anent his fold end in Newton Lane. In 1588 the Earl of Derby, who was Lord Lieutenant of the County and resided in what is now the Chetham College, discovered in Newton Lane the first printing press recorded in Manchester. It was an itinerating machine, which had been hunted for in other localities, and was found busily printing libellous and seditious proclamations [and amongst them the attacks of Martin Marprelate upon the Anglican Episcopate. When examined at Lambeth, Feb. 15, 1588, Hodgkins and his assistants, Squires and Tomlyn, confessed they had printed part of a book or pamphlet entitled "More Work for the Cooper." Waldegrave, the chief controller of this press escaped. (Axon's *Echoes of Old Lanc.*, p. 39]. The press was destroyed by Lord Derby's orders. This part of Newton Lane was at the Manchester end, near New Cross (perhaps Swan Street), and not within Newton. In 1628 the Manchester Court Leet recorded that William Cooke and Richard Ravald had each purchased certain lands of Mr. John Hobcrofte and Margaret his wife, lying in Newton Lane. In the seventeenth century a family named Bandman lived in the lane, and were baptised, married, and buried at the Collegiate Church; and about 1750, a family named Beard lived in the lane. They were whitsters by trade, and had their children baptised at Gorton Chapel (Higson *MS.*, p. 46). These instances probably all relate to the portion within Manchester.

Edwin Waugh published in the *Manchester Weekly Times Supplement* in 1880, five articles entitled *Roads out of Manchester* (Oct. 30, p. 350; Nov. 13, p. 366; Nov. 20, p. 374; Nov. 27, p. 382; Dec. 4, p. 390), which have not been republished in book form. A copy of the Supplement is in the Manchester Reference Library. Mr. Waugh in his article dealing with *Oldham Road* confuses the River Tib with Newton Brook. The

River Tib was fed by a spring called Cowper Pit, near the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company's tank, opposite the Heywood Arms, Oldham Road, and near St. George's Church. It approximately followed the line of High Street and Fountain Street across Market Street. Newton Brook crossed Newton Lane at Miles Platting. Waugh, however, tells us that Newton Brook was at one time known as Gagg's Brook, according to the late R. C. Bibby of Denton, who died in 1879, aged 69. Waugh, too, notes, that the White Hart had been "lately rebuilt" in 1880, and that about 1860 an old coal pit stood open, within a few yards of the roadside at Miles Platting, upon the banks of the Brook, with ragged and rotten machinery hanging over the open pit. Between the Platting and the Heath were two or three old roadside Inns, at one of which the landlord would only sell strong ale, alleging that it was better to be twice drunk than once "brawsen," or burst.

This was near the village of Newton Heath and was one of the quaintest wayside Inns on all the road. It was kept by Wm. Booth who was known as Bill-o'-Booth's, and is mentioned in Elijah Riding's *Village Festival* in the lines :—

And who was he, that jovial fellow
With his strong ale, so fine and mellow?
A large unwieldy man was he,
Like Falstaff, fat and full of glee,
With belly like a thirty six!
(Now, reader, your attention fix).
In loose habiliments he stands,
Broad shouldered, and with brawny hands,
Good humour beaming in his eye,
And the old rude simplicity;
Ever alive for rough or smooth
That rare old fellow, Bill-o'-Booth!

Pickford and Carver used to have one of their stage waggon stations at the corner of Dean Lane, and their horses were stabled at Dean Lane Farm.

Mr. Waugh (p. 374), writes confusingly about the roads in Newton, and seems to imagine that Back Lane was once used

as a loop from Oldham Road, for he says "The old road from Manchester led up Newton Lane (the present Oldham Road), along Grimshaw Lane, and Cooper's Lane and Ten Acre Lane by Baguley Fold and Rose Hill, and along Briscoe Lane to the old Chapel, from whence it continued along Greaves Lane by Droylsden." Waugh admits that he had consulted Mr. Miller's notes in the *All Saints' Parish Magazine*, Sept. 1874, where Mr. Miller describing the old roads, mixed them all up, saying "the old highway to Manchester crossed the Medlock at Clayton Bridge, being a continuation of the road from Ashton by Droylsden, and ran along Greaves Lane to the Chapel, then down Briscoe Lane, winding round by Rosehill and Baguley Fold, and then along Ten Acre Lane, Cooper's Lane, Grimshaw Lane, and so along Newton Lane (Oldham Road) to Manchester. At Mill-houses a branch shot off through Failsworth to Oldham. This road [Newton Lane] was mostly covered with gravel, though in parts it was paved, and was from six to eight yards wide."

Waugh, copying Mr. Miller, also says (p. 374), that Oldham Road where it crossed the Heath was known as Posy Lane, and that the Heath was formerly used as a race-course, and on a foot road on the north side of the Common was the old "Cabbage Inn," now pulled down. Joe Miller of Church Road recorded in the *All Saints' Parish Magazine* [Sept. 1874] that, in 1745, old Thomas Brown wandered over Newton, looking for a cottage for himself, and described the road from the Platting to Grimshaw Lane as being so narrow and deeply rutted and nearly impassable, that the bulk of the traffic was by pack horses.

Waugh also mentions that the Woodman Inn was the resort of a rough gang, known as the Barreleers, who were always ready for a fight or a fuddle, and that in 1850 he heard a ballad sung there about the Yarn Croft Thief [Russell]:—

To rob the yarn-croft I did intend
Of Mester Sharrocks at Millgate end.

He also states that Newton had four village greens, Goose Green, Hobson's Green, Botany Green, and Crown Point Green, and upon the last a maypole used to be erected, topped with a crown given by the Greaves family.

ROADS.

ON June 16, 1817, an Act (57 Geo. iii., cap. 47), was passed for making and keeping in repair a carriage road from the Township of Manchester to Newton Chapel, with a branch to the River Medlock in the Township of Droylsden. (Axon, *Manchester Annals*, p. 152.)

Further particulars concerning the hamlet of Newton Lane will be found under that heading later on.

COACHING.

THE main road between Manchester and York, or Manchester and Leeds via Rochdale did not pass through Newton, but went by way of "Chetham Green," Heaton and Middleton, so late as 1777, according to Potter's edition of *The Traveller's Pocket Book*, or Ogilby and Morgan's *Book of the Roads improved*, and the *Pocket Guide to the English Traveller*, London, 1719; and the absence of the present Rochdale Road out of Manchester will be observed on the Extract from the Yates-Green Map of Lancashire illustrating this volume.

About 1830 there were two mails from Manchester to York, and the coach from York reached the Royal Hotel each day at four p.m., coming down Oldham Street. (Slugg *Reminiscences*, pp. 206, 211.)

CANALS.

THE Rochdale Canal traverses the Township and was constructed under an Act (34 George iii., cap. 78, which was passed April 4, 1794), for a canal from the Calder Navigation at Sowerby Bridge in Halifax parish to the Bridgewater Canal in Manchester parish, and certain cuts from the intended canal. This Act had been preceded in 1792 by the Act (32 Geo. iii.,

cap. 84), for cutting a canal from Manchester to Ashton-under-Lyne and Oldham, passing through Bradford.

The Rochdale Canal through Newton, however, was only opened on Dec. 21, 1804, when the Committee came from Rochdale in two boats with the band of the First Battalion of the Manchester and Salford Volunteers, and they were followed in the evening by a boat loaded with goods which went forward to Liverpool next day. (Axon, *Annals of Manchester*.)

The land in Newton being flat the roads and lanes were carried across the Canal by bridges, after the Chinese pattern and resembling camel's humps, and in recent years some of these and their approaches have been replaced at great expense by others of more convenient construction.

RAILWAYS.

THE Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway main line to Rochdale has, within Newton, stations at Miles Platting and Newton, and there are also the Park and Clayton Bridge stations on the branch line to Stalybridge. (Higson *MS.*, p. 80.)

On Jan. 29, 1825, in the *Manchester Gazette* appeared a prospectus of a Manchester and Oldham Railway (Prentice, *Manchester*, 265), and on May 26, 1827, an Act (7 Geo. iv., cap. 99) was passed for making and maintaining a railway or tramroad from Manchester to Oldham, with a branch from Failsworth Pole to or near Dry Clough in the Township of Royton.

On July 4, 1836, an Act (6 and 7 Will. iv., cap. 111), received the royal assent, for constructing the Manchester and Leeds Railway, which is now called the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway. This line, from Manchester as far as Littleborough, was opened on June 4, 1839, and from Leeds to Hebden Bridge on Oct. 9, 1840, and for the whole distance on March 1, 1841. At that time the Manchester terminus was in Oldham Road, and the line leading to Hunt's Bank, otherwise Victoria Station, was only opened on January 1, 1844.

PLACES.

THE following description or notes about Places are grouped in alphabetical order :—

BAGULEY FOLD.

MR. HIGSON notes that this was situate in [the Southerly end of] Ten Acre Lane. The lane took its name from the Ten Acres field [probably an ancient village Common Field containing ten Lancashire acres or about twenty statute acres] on the right [east] of Oldham Road going from Manchester.

The late Joe Miller, in *All Saints' Parish Magazine*, March, 1874, states that the Baguley Farm took its name from a tenant farmer who occupied it in the latter part of the then last century [1750-1800], but this was not quite correct as the Baguley family ceased to occupy it long anterior to that period. He also tells, in verse, the adventures of James and Molly, who lived at Baguley Fold, and rode their old horse Dobbin, pillion wise, to Manchester Old Church one snowy Christmas, and how, on their way home, Molly fell off behind into a snow drift, and in her fall clutched at Dobbin's fine false tail, with which she had furnished it, but which treacherously came off in her hand.

The pillion steps were dated 1523. Mr. Miller further states:—The Fold was close by Park Railway Station and comprised a farm-house and cluster of six cottages. In 1545 and 1556 Nicholas Bageley¹ was one of the lessees in Newton under the Warden and Fellows of the Collegiate Church, and in 1578 the lessees included Nicholas Baguely who was one of their aggrieved lessees in 1574 or 1586, and in 1635 a Nicholas

¹ On Aug. 12, 1558, Nicholas Baguley of Newton in Manchester, yeoman, provided by his Will that a "sepulture" should be erected by Sir Thomas Cunliffe [priest] in the Church of Manchester by the High Aulter at a cost of six pounds, and he provided that Sir Lawrence Voce [Vaux], Warden of Manchester, be overseer of the work and see it performed and done, and if it be thought by Mr. Warden and my executors that viii is not sufficient for the workmanship, then I will that the said Sir Thomas have more reasonable by Mr. Warden and my executors. (Raines' *Lancashire MSS.*, vol. xiii., p. 283; Chet. Soc., NS., vol. 4, p. xi n.)

Baguley was a lessee. In May 1611, Robert Baguley of Newton, yeoman, is named in another document, and his son James was baptised at the Collegiate Church on Christmas Day, 1608. Thirty years or so later a similar name occurs, and an Adam and John Baguley, who had children baptised at the Collegiate Church. Robert Hartley of Manchester and Elizth. Baguley of Manchester par., widow, obtained a marriage licence on Oct. 22, 1635.

Newcome records that one Baguley of Newton, that had been an ill liver, was convicted of sin under Newcome's preaching, Sept. 25, 1657. Sarah, y^e dr of Robt. Baguley of Newton, was baptised at Newton Chapel in November, 1697.

Mr. Higson states that in 1760 the place was in lease to Mr. Alexander, and before that to James Fletcher; that in 1760 it was farmed by James Simister; and about 1782 the farm-house was occupied by a Mr. Johnson as a bleachery. In 1862 the tenant was Mr. Thos. Nixon. The house had then degenerated into a cottage.

The Owen MSS. (vol. x), contain a sketch of a picturesque gable, under which is written "Baguley Fold." It corresponds with the following description given by Mr. Higson in *A Day's Archæolog. Stroll*. (March 22, 1862).

It was built of solid oak timbers in one entire framework, with its massive oaken beams and posts bolted together with oak pegs. This stood on a deep footing of sandstone, with four heights of plaidings, in the style which prevailed in the half century 1500-50, displaying a great number of uprights with only five to eight inches of raddle and daub between them.

The gable was unusually lofty, and the timbers in it formed handsome quadrefoils. The windows had been modernised, but one old one slightly projected, and, though blindfolded with bricks, showed traces of having had four lights, and it still had a moulded base. *

From vol. 15 of the Owen MSS., at the Manchester Free Reference Library, the following information is derived as to

the leases of this property granted by the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church.

On Feb. 16, 1671-2, Daniel Hobson of Haughton, yeoman, took a lease of part of the messuage, &c., called *Baguley's* in Newton, theretofore in the tenure of Robert Baguley decd., and late in Hobson's occupation. The buildings comprised all those below the entry westward, and a bay adjoining northward, the ould barne, shippin, further swine coate from the house, hen-houses, the turfe house standing at the end of the new garden, half the house of office, the new garden adjoining the house southwards, the little court called the hen-walk, the backside court (except so much of the north side as is agreed to be leased to Thos. Taylor), and the greate fould to be occupied in common. Also the little croft adjoining the old house, the barnfield, hencroft, little eye, great ten acre, little bank flatt, and the close called the Common. The rent was 22s. 10d. and the lessee had to bring a load of coals to Manchester yearly for the lessors. The length of the town is not stated by Mr. Owen.

On Feb. 1678-9, Anne Baguley of Newton, widow, took a lease of the messuage called *Baguley's*, with the building below the entry westward, and a bay of building adjoining northwards theretofore in the tenure of Robert Baguley deceased and Jas. Baguley, deceased, and the rest of the premises as described in the lease of 1671, were demised to Daniel Hobson at the same rent of 22s. 10d. Anne Baguley renewed on March 8, 1685-6; March 8, 1688-9; and Dec. 2, 1692.

On March 8, 1685-6, Mary Taylor of Salford, widow, administratrix of Roger Taylor, late of Linnishawe within Worsley, gent., decd., surrendered an existing lease and took a new one of the other part of *Baguley's*, formerly in the tenure of Robert Baguley, decd., and James Baguley, namely the building above the entry eastward. The rent was 22s. 10d. and a capon and the boon service of carting a load of coals.

On May 1, 1707, Robert Alexander of Manchester, gent., surrendered a former lease and took a fresh one of the messuage

in Newton called *Baguley's* formerly in the tenure of Robert Baguley deceased, and late of James Baguley, and afterwards in the lessee's occupation, namely the building above the entry eastward, the chamber over the entry, the little sellor adjoining the entry, the new barn, swinecoate next the house, calf coate, Bouke house, half the house of office, the part of the backside Court [next] to the lower side of the house chimney eastwards (the great fould to be occupied in common), and the Yarn Croft, Kilne Croft adjoining the new barn, Great Banke, little Snelshill (see also Smith's B., *post*), Great Snelshill, Little Ten Acre, Great Eye, the Close heretofore part of the hencroft on the north side thereof. Rent 22s. 10d.

On April 1, 1714, James Dunkerley of Newton, whitster, in consideration of the surrender of a previous lease was granted a fresh one of the first part of the premises, the rent to be 22s. 10d., and a capon and bringing a cart load of coals to Manchester.

On April 1, 1728, Frances Dunkerley of Openshaw, widow, renewed the lease, except that only two bays of the old barn and half the threshing bay in it were included. The rent was 11s. 5d. and a capon, and every other year she was to bring a load of coals in summer to Manchester.

On Jan. 21, 1730, leave was given for her to assign the lease to Henry Walwork of Newton.

In 1728 the first part was apparently sub-divided, for on April 1, besides the lease to Frances Dunkerley, one was granted to James Dunkerley of Newton, yeoman, including the Parlour on the south end of the house, the chamber over it and the chamber over the Kitchen, the Turf house, new garden, etc. His rent was to be 11s. 5d. and a capon and every other year bringing a cart load of coals.

On Sept. 27, 1728, Charles Alexander of Manchester, gent., surrendered the lease of the second part and took a fresh one, the premises being then occupied by James Somister; and he further renewed it on Sept. 27, 1735, at a rent of 25s., a capon, and load of coals, but on Dec. 27, 1742, it was renewed to

Joseph Alexander of Manchester, chapman, when the premises were still in James Somester's occupation, and this was repeated on Dec. 30, 1749, and again on April 16, 1764, when the rent was raised to £1 12s. 6d., etc.

On April 16, 1771, the lease was renewed by Millicent Alexander and Barbara Alexander of Manchester, spinsters, and the rent was £3 10s., etc. They renewed this lease on April 16, 1778, paying £900. The farm was then held by Esther Simister, widow. This lease was further renewed on April 16, 1785. The lessees were still spinsters and Esther Simister was still the tenant.

On April 1, 1735, Henry Walwork of Newton, yeoman, renewed his lease, and on Oct. 9, 1742, James Dunkerley's portion was renewed to Jas. Fletcher of Newton, yeoman, who further renewed it on Oct. 29, 1742, and on Nov. 1, 1749, it was renewed to Jas. Fletcher of Hundersfield, co. Lanc., yeoman, son of James Fletcher (who renewed in Jan., 1759, being then of Newton), and on the same date, 1749, a lease of part was granted to Peter Fletcher of Failsworth, yeoman, who was probably another son of James, and Peter renewed the lease of his part on Jan. 2, 1759-60, at a rent of 15s., a capon at Christmas, and bringing a load of coals yearly in summer. In Jan. 1766, Peter's widow, Ann, had married Thos. Tetlow of Failsworth, yeoman, and he renewed the lease, as Trustee for her and her three children, Peter, Jas., and Alice Fletcher, and on March 13, 1766, leave was given to assign the lease to Wm. Wroe.

On Jan. 3, 1780, Holland Ackers of Manchester, merchant, renewed the lease (which had been assigned to him by Thos. Tetlow of Failsworth, yeoman), of the tenement in Newton called *Baguley's* formerly held by James Baguley, deceased, since by Peter Fletcher, and since by Thos. Tetlow.

The house was surrounded by a large orchard and close by, at the junction of the lanes, was a finger post, pointing to Manchester, Stockport, Ashton, and Oldham. (*All Saints' Parish Magazine*, March 1874.)

BANK TOP.

BANK TOP, Newton, is mentioned in the Gorton Registers in 1689. It is probably the same as Hill Top named in the Newton Registers in 1697. (Higson *MS.*, p. 2.) In 1760 it was owned by Widow Lightbowne, and was occupied by Joseph Johnson.

BARLOWE'S.

BY lease, dated Feb. 17, 6 Eliz. (1563-4), Warden Herle and Fellows demised to Steven Browne of Manchester, yeoman, the tenement in Newton then occupied by Steven Browne, for a term of years, and Browne assigned to Edward Sidall, who assigned to Stephen Becke of Manchester, yeoman, and on Nov. 18, 9 Eliz. (1566), Becke assigned to Robert Holme [Hulme] of Newton, gent., this last assignment being signed S.B., in the presence of John Wilde, Hugh Bordman, Thos. Willott, and John Glover, the writer thereof. An endorsement styled the property "*Barlowe's tenement.*"

On Aug. 4, 1697, the Warden and Fellows granted a lease to Japhet Hulme of Newton, joyner, of a house in Newton called *Barlow's*, late in the tenure of Nicholas Barlow. The rent was 1s. 2d. per annum. This lease was renewed at the same rent on August 4, 1704, and again on August 4, 1712.

On Jan. 13, 1728, William Holland of Manchester, taylor, took a lease of a house in Newton called *Barlow's* at 5s. rent. This was the same property, for on Feb. 4, 1735-6, Ann Taylor of Reddish, spinster, surrendered an old lease, and took a new one of "the messuage and tenement in Newton called *Barlow's* heretofore in the tenure of Nicholas Barlow and Wm. Holland;" the rent was 5s. This lease is endorsed "Peter Ellcock of Heaton Norris, yeoman."

On April 17, 1766, Joseph Schofield of Failsworth, joiner, became lessee of a cottage in Newton, and two closes containing 1a. 1r. 20p., lately held by Peter Elcock, rent 7s. 6d.; and in April 1780, Schofield's executors, Robert Fildes of Lostock in

Eccles parish, yeoman, and Ann Whitehead of Oldham, widow, renewed the lease.

BARNES.¹

MR. OWEN records that the oldest lease in the old chest at Manchester Cathedral was dated Dec. 17, 1661, whereby the Warden and Fellows leased to Edward Barnes of Newton, lynn timer, a messuage and tenement with appurtenances called *Barnes*, in Newton, in his occupation, with all buildings, roomthes, barnes, stables, shippons, fouldes, backsides, tofts, crofts, orchards, meadows, leasowes, common of pasture, ways, gates, towse (perhaps related to "tozard" an old term for a kind of firewood), tinsell (firewood), tenently commodities, foreprized a close called Nearer Carr in the houldinge of Thos. Holte, theretofore part of the premises, for twenty one years from that date, at the yearly rent of 8s. 4d., payable on St. John Baptist and Nativitie of our Lord by equal portions, and rendering a capon or hen at the Nativitie, the lessee being allowed to make marle pitts, and get and employ marle for betteringe, to quick sett, and have timber growing for amendinge; and Barnes to repair and keep tenantable; not to assign without lycence first had in writeinge; the estate of any widow of anie former farmor not preiudiced but to be enjoyed according to the custom of the Manor of Newton, as adjudged by the Jurie of the Courte for the Manor next held after any question. The lease was attested by Wm. Goodwin and Nathan Leech, and Mr. Owen (*MS.* vol. 15, p. 141), notes an endorsement that on Sept. 11, 1676, the lease was "showed at a commission, att Gorton in the co. of Lancaster, in a cause, depending in H. M. hon. Court of Exchequer att Westminster, between Ralph Lees, complainant, against Jas. Taylor, Hannah Taylor, Raph Ryder, Edwd. Warrington, Isabel Kenyon, and

¹ Barn's estate in Monsal Lane is named in 1760 in the list of Newton Chapel Seatholders, *ante*, p. 38.

Hugh Kenyon, defendants, before us Jonathan Ridge, Edward Taylor, Will Smith."

On Jan. 20, 1674, Joseph Hadfield of Padfield, co. Derby, yeoman, surrendered the lease granted to Edwd. Barnes and took a new lease of the premises including two closes called Alice Crofte and Barley Crofte, late in the tenure of Joseph Leech, and a close called the Nearer Carr then or late in the tenure of Thos. Holte, rent 7*s.* (*See* Leech's, *post.*)

On Dec. 14, 1681, Joseph Leech of Newton, surrendered an old lease and took a new one with the Alice and Barley Crofts, containing an acre and a half late part of the tenement held by Edward Barnes, rent 15*s.* 8*d.*, and a capon or hen. Joseph Leech died, and on Feb. 21, 1701, James Key of Manchester, shoemaker, surrendered his lease and took a new one of the Barnes tenement, late held by James Hadfield, and Dorothy Heaward, with the Alice Croft and Barley Croft lately held by Joseph Leech, and the Nearer Carr lately held by Thos. Holt, rent 7*s.* (on Dec. 14, 1702, it was renewed by Richd. Taylor of Manchester, chapman), and Key renewed the lease on Feb. 21, 1708-9, at same rent, and again on Feb. 21, 1715-6 (on Dec. 14, 1709 and 1716, it was renewed by Samuel Leech of Manchester, chapman), and again on Sept. 27, 1728, also on Sept. 7, 1735, when the rent was to be 8*s.*, and a capon or hen.

On July 3, 1739, Ann Saunders of Fewen Street, London, spinster, renewed the lease of the premises lately held by Ambrose Saunders, and then by her, with the Barley and Alice Crofts, contents one and a half acre; rent 28*s.*

On Jan. 8, 1746-7, Peter Kinsey of Gough Square, Parish of St. Bridget's, otherwise Bride's, London, gent., renewed for the tenement in Newton formerly held by Ambrose Saunders, and then by Peter Kinsey, with the Barley and Alice Crofts; rent 28*s.* and a capon or hen, and the same day leave was given to assign to Rev. Henry Brooks of Manchester.

On May 20, 1752, John Heywood of Manchester, glover, Samuel Goodier of Manchester, tallow chandler, and Saml.

Taylor of Manchester, chapman, executors of James Kay, decd., renewed the lease of *Barnes Tenement* in Newton, lately held by Edward Barnes and James Kay, with the Alice or Acre and Barley Crofts, and Nearer Carr; rent 12s. Leave was given to assign to John Bell of Manchester. It was renewed to Richd. Harding of Newton, wheelwright, on May 20, 1755.

On June 6, 1759, John Bell of Manchester, brushmaker, surrendered the lease and took a new one at a rent of 12s., and a capon or hen, the premises being described as late in the possession of Jas. Kay and John Heywood, Saml. Goodier, and Saml. Taylor.

In May 1762 and 1769, Samuel Harding of Newton, husbandman, renewed at 46s. 9d., and a capon or hen, the premises being theretofore held by Peter Kinsey.

Bell renewed the lease on June 6, 1766, at £1 1s. 6d. rent; and the lease is endorsed with the terms for a subsequent renewal, namely:—Rent £13, lays £2, manure £1, fine a year and a quarter £3 10s., making £17 10s., and 1s. 3d. in the £ was to be the rent; this lease was renewed to Joseph Lowe of Manchester, merchant, on June 6, 1780, and to Saml. Harding of Newton, husbandman, in May 1783.

BOARDMAN'S.

THERE were several tenements or farms called Boardman's in Newton, probably all held together at some time.

On May 20, 1668, Frances Boardman, of Newton, widow, and Robt. Boardman her son, took a lease from the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church, of a tenement in Newton called *Boardman's* lately held by Hugh Boardman¹ decd.; rent 21s. 11d. This was renewed to them on May 20,

¹In 1636 the Rev. Saml. Boardman, M.A., of Cambridge (who was elected a Fellow in 1629), had a lease of College lands, an Edwd. Boardman having held the same in 1578; and in 1635, Edwd. and Hugh Boardman also held Chapter lands, and in 1757 Widow Boardman held the same. On Dec. 13, 1784, Saml. Boardman was buried in the Collegiate Church. (Chet. Soc., vol. 21, NS., p. 113.)

1675, and to Robert in 1690, April 21, 1699. and Aug. 10, 1706, and again on Oct. 23, 1711, to Samuel Clowes of Manchester, chapman, who was probably executor of Robert Boardman's Will or a mortgagee. He surrendered the interest of Edward, son of Robert, and took a lease of the premises. It is endorsed with the following memorandum:—Fine £18 18s., yearly rent £1 1s. 10d., making lease 18s., bailiff 1s. Saml. Clowes the elder, of Manchester, gent., renewed on Oct. 22, 1728, and John Clowes of Manchester, gent., renewed in Nov. 1744, and again in Jan. 1752–3, at 28s. rent for twenty-one years, and again renewed in 1759 and 1766.

On May 20, 1675, Robert Burdett of the City of London, Esq., took a lease of *Boardman's* tenement in Newton, including closes called Yarne Croft, Hitching Acre, and Brund-garthe, estimated at five acres three roods, lately held by Dorothy Boardman. This was renewed to Wright Burdett on Sept 29, 1680, and on May 8, 1688; Elizth. Burdett of London, widow, renewed the lease June 4, 1702, and Richd. Taylor of Manchester, merchant, leased them Nov. 12, 1714, and renewed Oct. 4, 1728, when they were described as lately held by Richard Clive, gent. A further renewal was granted Oct. 4, 1735, and subsequently leave was given to Richd. Taylor, executor of the lessee, to assign to John Taylor of Sutton-super-Lound, co. Notts., clerk. John Taylor died before Nov. 6, 1750, when Adam Lugg of Gainsboro', gent., surviving trustee of his Will, renewed the lease and again did so on Nov. 25, 1757. It was further renewed on Nov. 26, 1764, by John Shelmerdine and Edward Holme, both of Manchester, chapmen.

On Nov. 27, 1750, Adam Lugg of Gainsboro', co. Lincoln, gent., the surviving trustee of the Will of John Taylor of Sutton, co. Notts., clerk, with Richard Taylor of East Retford, co. Notts., gent., and only son of John Taylor, and Geo. Wilberforce of Gainsboro', merchant, and Jane his wife, only daughter of John Taylor, demised to Edward Beswick of Kirkmanshulme, yeoman, for twenty years the tenement in Newton, in Manchester

parish, called *Boardman's* and land adjoining with closes called Yarn Croft, Kitching Acre, and the Brun-garth, containing by estimation 5a. 3r. op.

In July 1681, Thos. Alston of Felstead in Essex, gent., took a lease of a tenement in Newton called *Boardman's*, lately held by Adam Boardman, and closes called the The Field-o'th'-Door, Inner Field, Acre, Middle Field, Cloughs, Acre abutting on Bradford Lane, Half-acre, and Farr New-field. These were leased on Dec. 2, 1692, to John Boardman of Newton, husbandman, and were estimated at thirty-six acres; rent 21s. 6d., and bringing a load of coals yearly. John Boardman, junr., of Manchester, callenderman, renewed this lease Jan. 10, 1728, when the premises were described as lately held by Henry Dickenson and Edward Leech. This lease was further renewed June 12, 1729, and June 12, 1736. In March 1752, Henry Dickenson of Salford, gent., surrendered his lease of these premises and renewed it at 24s. rent. They were then in his possession having formerly been held by Henry Dickenson and Edwd. Leech. The lease is endorsed:—"To be made to John Boardman of Manchester, calenderman;" accordingly on May 14, 1766, a new lease was granted to John Boardman the elder; 20 acres; rent £2 10s. 6d., and carting a load of coals yearly.

Besides the foregoing there was a cottage in Newton called *Boardman's*, having been built by John Boardman upon the common or waste lands within Newton. His widow continued to occupy it, and on Feb. 28, 1744, it was occupied by Wm. Gartside, when Joseph Johnson and Joseph Holt jointly leased it at 1s. rent.

BOTANY BAY.

MR. HIGSON conjectures that this was the same as Culcheth Gate or Graver Gate, but the Ordnance Surveyors in 1845 applied the name to the long row of cottages near Droylsden Road, east of Culcheth Gates.

About 1760 Samuel Chetham, Esq., owned Graver Gate, and it was then farmed by Jonathan Slater.

In 1825, John Goodier, gent., lived in Graver Lane, which is now known as Droylsden Road.

The origin of the name Botany Bay is forgotten. Very possibly it was a term jocularly applied to the retired position of this little colony at the time it came into existence in the days of convicts being exiled to the Penal Settlement of that name. There is, however, no local tradition to that effect. It is best known now as simply Botany. Mr. Percival Percival states that about 1883, at a gathering of Lancashire Naturalists which was attended by a number of local men advanced in years, the question was discussed, and the explanation that received greatest credit was that close by on part of the Newton Heath, or waste, the seeds of tropical and sub-tropical plants that came over in cotton had established themselves, and became so much the quest of local botanists that the place was dubbed Botany Bay. Another version, favoured by Mr. W. J. Hannan of Ashton-under-Lyne, an expert botanist, is that the name and that of Botany Lane, a by-way at Hurst-in-Ashton, is due to Botany wool brought from New Zealand and used in the manufacture of felt for hats. Mr. Hannan says the place-name Botany occurs in several adjacent localities and always in association with hatting, which was however more of a Failsworth than a Newton industry.

There is a long printed list known to botanists of these foreign plants which have been found in the district, and especially at a spot near Ashton long known as Jethro Miller's Garden, on account of the special study devoted to it by an old botanist of that name.

On Dec. 16, 1668, John Bowker of Newton, carpenter, leased from the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church, the tenement called *Bowker's* in Scotland within Newton lately held by Robert Bowker, decd., father of said John, and four closes called Kiln Croft, Two Acres, Burnt Earth and Higher Barnfield; estimated at four acres; Rent 7*s.* 8*d.* and a capon or hen.

On January 18, 1689, Peter Bowker of Newton, whitster, renewed the lease. Peter having died, his executor, John Martin of Southwarke, co. Surrey, innkeeper, on January 18, 1696, renewed the lease for the use of Peter's daughters, Anne and Mary, but in Feb., 1699-1700, the fields were included in a lease taken by Edward Wroe, jun., son and heir apparent of Edwd. Wroe of Newton, gent., and on Jan. 18, 1703, Anne and Mary Bowker,¹ both of London, spinsters, took a lease of all their father had held.

In October, 1735, the lease was taken by Thos. Butterworth, gent. (see Axon's *Manchester Annals*, p. 82), at a rent of 9s., and he was styled "of Manchester, Esq.," on October 29, 1742, when he renewed the lease. On May 14, 1757, the old lease was surrendered and a new one taken by Daniel Bayley of Manchester, Esq., who married Ann, daughter of Thos. Butterworth, and whose son Thos. Butterworth Bayley of Hope, Esq., renewed it in Dec., 1765, and Dec., 1772, at a rent of £1 3s. 6d. and a capon or hen, and again in Dec., 1786, at 27s. rent.

BRISCOE'S.

THIS old house was in Back Lane and displayed several gables (Higson *MS.*, p. 69). It is mentioned in the preceding account of Newton about 1772. Back Lane is also called Briscoe Lane.

¹ Robert Illingworth, gent., had a son Thos., also described as gentleman, whose widow Elizabeth was described in her Will dated Dec. 14, 1759, as of Queen Square, Westminster, she desired to be buried in Westminster Abbey, near her daughter, Mary Illingworth. She also mentioned her grand-daughters Elizth. Bowker and Ann Bowker, her cousins, Mary Rigby of Cockermouth and daughter Mary, Wm. Lightbown of Twickenham and Ann his wife; also her own daughter Zenobia Ann Bowker [wife of Peter Bowker of Newton, whitster], and also Thos., son of Thos. Illingworth, late Postmaster of Manchester, deceased; and she left her lands in Newton and other places to Zenobia. The Will was proved at London, March 11, 1760, and on June 6, 1760, Zenobia Ann Bowker, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, made her Will which was proved at London, Nov. 29, 1762, and mentioned her daughters Ann, Elizth., and Maria, all apparently under age. Her daughter Ann, before Sept. 1780, had married Geo. Bolton, formerly of Parkgate, co. Chester, but late of Younghall, co. Cork, and then of Manchester, Esq.

In 1846 George Briscoe lived in Back Lane near Cheetham Fold.

BROOKDALE.

THIS property on the east side of Droylsden Road and south side of Long Lane has been recently bought by the Manchester Corporation for a Park. The house was built on land (numbered C1 to C8 on the Newton Allotment Map), which James Taylor bought from the representatives of Anna Sophia Greene. James Taylor and his son John were in the firm of Harrop and Pearson, silk manufacturers, whose mill was near the canal bridge in Droylsden Road, Newton. Mr. John Taylor was born Dec. 26, 1826. He was thrice married. He died June 23, 1898, leaving a widow who died at Silverdale in 1903, and two daughters (half sisters), the elder being Miss Mabel Newton Taylor.

The family vault is at Newton Church, where there is a memorial tablet and the east end window also records the family, see p. 34, *ante*.

Mr. Taylor owned various other properties in Newton and Failsworth, including land called "Leng's" situated between the Poor Land and Long Lane and "Stott's," which was divided from Lengs by the Township boundary. Leng, Lang, and Long, are probably varying forms of the same name.

BROWN'S.

ON Mar. 7, 1688-9, Thos. Buckley, jun., of Little Haworth, co. Lanc., gent., and John Buerdsall of Newton [chap.]man surrendered to the Warden and Fellows a former lease and took a new one of a cottage and tenement in Newton called *Browne's*, with four closes called *Siddell's fields*, containing twelve acres lately held by James Holland, deceased, and Martha Holland, and then of Martha Holland and James son of said James Holland; Rent £2 9s. 8d. and two capons or hens. In 1709, James the son, being then of Castleton, co. Lanc., gent., took a lease of the tenement called *Pedley's Place or*

Hulme Hall in Newton, also the cottage called *Brown's* and *Siddall's Fields*, lately occupied by John Buerdsall in trust for James, with liberty to get marl, and he renewed the lease on April 16, 1745, when he lived at Rochdale, but in May, 1759, it was renewed by Alice Holland of Rochdale, widow, at a rent of £4 10s., and two capons or hens, and she further renewed it in 1766 at £7 7s. 6d. rent, and finally on May 26, 1780, Frances Holland of Rochdale, spinster, and James Holland of Rochdale, woolstapler, renewed the lease. (See *Hulme Hall*.)

BUERDSELL'S.

ON April 20, 1675, John Buerdsall of Newton, yeoman., surrendered a former lease to the Warden and Fellows and took a new one of the tenement called *Buerdsell's*, lately held by John Buerdsell, decd., lessee's father; Rent 22s. 1d., and a capon or hen. He further renewed it on Jan. 18, 1681, 1688, and 1695, and his son John Buerdsell, jun., of Newton, chapman, renewed it on January 18, 1702. John Buerdsell his son, of Manchester, chapman, renewed it on January 18, 1730, and January 21, 1737, at 36s. rent, and a capon or hen. In May, 1766, it was described as lately held by Thos. Buerdsall, chapman, when John Boardman, jun., of Manchester, callenderer, took a lease at £4 1s., and a capon or hen; see also "*Boardman's*" and "*Brownes*," *ante*.

BURY BROW.

BURY BROW is a small hamlet near Clayton Bridge Station, and derives its name from a family who long rented the farm there. (Higson *MS.*, p. 2.)

Mr. Higson in his *MS.*, p. 56, remarks (about 1863) that this old farm-house was fast going to ruins.

Over the entrance door was a stone lintel inscribed I. E. V. [or Y, see Clayton Bridge Farm], 1716, on a shield.

The property formerly belonged to Sebastian Nash, from whom it descended, like Clayton Bridge Farm and the Clayton

Corn Mill, to Thomas Bayley, Esq., M.P., who married one of Mr. Nash's daughters.

The name of the place is probably derived from some former owner. On March 29, 1640, John Berrie of Newton had a son Jeremie baptised at Manchester Collegiate Church, and Thomas Berrie had a daughter baptised at Newton Chapel in 1655, and a son James seven years later. (Higson *MS.*, p. 56.)

It was not on College Land, but formed part of the Byrons Clayton Manor, and the history of its ownership is mixed up with that of the Chethams, which is further dealt with in the Failsworth section.

CHEETHAM FOLD, BACK LANE.

IN 1523, Isabel, widow of Robert Chetham owned property in Newton and Levenshulme. (Higson *MS.*, p. 69.)

The place no doubt took its name from some member of this family having lived there.

Graham's *MS.* on *Calico Printing*, 1846 (Manchester Reference Library), gives the following account of this place in comparatively recent times :—

Cheetham Fold, Newton, three miles from Manchester; began printing about 1810, by Abraham Briscoe and Brothers; put a few tables up in stables and hay-loft; did a good business in woollen shawls; built a new shop; had sixty-two tables going at once in full work; made money. After the woollens went down he gave up printing; built a cotton mill; let a part of print works to son George and son-in-law; they carried on a short time and gave up; it was now let to Richard Prince and Brother [who] carried it on for twelve months, and gave up; Let to Mark Gradwell for a short time, who gave up; it is attached to cotton mill.

CLAYTON BRIDGE FARM.

THERE was once a farm-house at Clayton Bridge, not far from Clayton Bridge Railway Station, on the Ashton and Stalybridge branch line, and it was later used as an Inn, but had

been converted into cottages before 1863 when Mr. Higson made his notes.

Behind the cottages a more modern building stood, which had also been converted into a couple of cottages. They were of brick with stone quoins at the angles, and bore a tablet inscribed I. E. Y. [Yates?], 1716 (compare Bury Brow Farm, *ante*). The building was supported by two buttresses to prevent its fall towards the river.

Its ownership was similar to that of the adjacent Bury Brow Farm.

It was a black and white pile close beside Clayton Bridge, which is mentioned in 1697, and supplied the place of a ford over the Medlock.

Tradition says that two priests once resided there, but their object in doing so is not known.

As a public-house it was known as the Bay Horse, and the licence was transferred to an adjacent new building, now known as the Grey Mare.

In 1741 the Gorton Chapel Registers record the baptism of a child of Jeremiah Henshaw of Clayton Milne, Innkeeper.

The old building had both a pleasing appearance and situation in the valley.

A good deal of the timber work had disappeared from its front. The old entrance had been blocked up, and served as a coal hole. It formed a projecting porch of two storeys, the upper portion serving as a closet off one of the bedrooms.

The rear elevation also had a central part with gabled bay at each end, a little advanced, and once protected by large boards with a finial at the apex.

The foundation was of stone supporting a wall plate of oak, from which were carried up the principals or perpendicular timbers, which were crossed by others horizontally. The interstices were filled in with twisted rods daubed over with clay plaster, but in some parts bricks and mortar had been substituted, and some of the woodwork abolished.

The timbers in the gables varied from the rest of the building and from each other. The lesser gable to the north-west had simply a king-post in the centre, the five diagonals on each side had been removed. The other gable displayed five uprights or green posts, surmounted by a collar beam, from which sprang two bracing ribs placed diagonally. This gable or bay contained the back door.

The windows were of one, two, or three lights, filled with diamond shaped quarrels, and were of more recent date than the house. (Higson *MS.* pp. 56-7.)

CLAYTON VALE.

MR. JOHN GRAHAM in his *MS. Calico Printing* written in 1846, and now in the Manchester Reference Library, says :—

Clayton Vale near Manchester; White and Fernibough began these premises as print works in 1798; Fernibough came from Cheadle, had married Down's sister there, where he is now [1846] living; he soon failed; it was next taken by Ley and Smith as printers; they did chiefly blue paste printing; next occupied by Lomas and Crompton as bleachers, who failed; it was next taken by Thomas Addy, afterwards changed to Addy and Cullingworth, and failed; afterwards by Remmell and Bro. as bleachers, who failed; it was next taken by Jno. and Robt. Macgregor; they did principally in furnitures, in spirit colors, for Wright and Lee; Robt. withdrew and the concern was carried on by Jno. Macgregor, but owing to a dispute with the excise he left England for America, and the premises were sold to Mr. John Wood of Messrs. Wood and Wright, Bank Bridge; have three machines printing here, the pieces are dyed at Bank Bridge.

CLOUGH'S.

THE Cloughs was a house on the north side of Oldham Road, and Mr. Higson in his notes (p. 69), refers to an article called "Our Day Out," which appeared [about 1860 or 1862?] in the



Ashton Reporter, for information about it but gives no further particulars, and the article has not been discovered unless it be the one from which is derived the description of a house called Clough's which will be found under the heading "Newton Lane Hamlet," *post*.

On July 29, 1660, a son of Geo. Clough was baptised at Newton Chapel, and in 1688 the Register mentions John Clough of Old Fold in Newton (Higson *MS.*, p. 48). Old Fold was probably the local name for the old house described under "Newton Lane."

On October 23, 1744, John Clough of Manchester, chapman, surrendered and renewed a lease of closes, part of Geo. Holland's tenement in Newton, and renewed in 1751, 1758, and 1765. (See Holland's.)

COLLIERIES.

In Sept. 1674, James Chetham of Smedley wrote to his brother Edward stating that Mrs. Holland [his sister, who lived at Hulme Hall, Newton], and Humphrey [his brother, who lived at Whitworth Hall, Newton], "are frighted to some purpose, their two leases being desighend at. One of the Fellows [of the College] to wit Adams, hath taken a lease of the coale mines in Newton, and would livē at Humphrey house as principal place, ye coales lying in his grounds. I, to prevent him, have got a Bond sighned y^t Mrs. Holland shall not suffer him (Adams) to get coales. Her lease precedes his, and so secures as yet, and hee would fain confound mee."

Edward replied on Sept. 22, 1674, :—For y^e respect to my sister [Mrs. Holland] I cañot pswade my brother [Humphrey] to part wth his concerns under ye coll[ege], but it had been better to have improved y^m more moderately, considering y^e convenient situation of his house y^t may incite a knave [like Adams] to take advantage of y^e nicetys given y^m by Statutes over their house w[he]^{re} he [the knave] thinks y^e house well repar'd and convenient for his worship and his Lady to keep

their superior house in, and besides y^e misfortunes y^e M[inister]^s are involved in wth y^e church w^here long may happen again in y^e same unhappy circumstances y^t not long agoe have been experience.

On Nov. 16, 1676, John Ellor of Openshaw, who was "slaine with a gun at Newton Coale pitt," was buried at Manchester Collegiate Church, where on 28 March, 1678, Edward Morris was also buried having been "slaine att Newton Coale pitt by damp," that is after-damp. (Higson *MS.*, p. 80.)

On April 20, 1682, the Warden and Fellows of Manchester, demised to Mary Adams of Manchester, widow, all manner of mines, pits, and veins of coal and cannell lying within the manor of Newton theretofore demised to Nathan Leech, and one Martha Holland, widow, and John Buerdsall, yeoman, at the yearly rent of £6 13s. 4d. On October 23, 1685, a fresh lease was granted to her of the coale mynes, etc., in Newton, in consideration of £6 13s. 4d. yearly rent, and of the great charges and hazards which Michael Adams, clerke, deceased, her late husband had beene at and that she was likely to be at in order to the getting of coales and kannell.

In 1692 and 1697 the leases of lands at Newton, granted by the Warden and Fellows, generally provided that the lessee should perform a service of bringing one or more cart-loads of coals yearly in summer, from the coal pit in Newton to the Warden and Fellows in Manchester, the Warden and Fellows paying for the same at the pit mouth.

On October 7, 1699, Richd. Tong of Tong, co. Lanc., gent., in consideration of the great charges and hazard which he was likely to be at in order to the getting of coal and kannell within the manor of Newton, and in agreeing with the tenants and lessees was granted a lease by the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church, of all manner of mines, pitts, and veins of coal and kannell now open or which may be found by digging, sinking, or otherwise, in any of the wast grounds or lands within the manor for twenty-one years paying yearly £6 13s. 4d.

On January 21, 1729, John Seddon of Manchester, linnen draper took up a lease (the Warden and Fellows having in some of the farm leases reserved power to sink for, gett, bank, take and carry away all such coals, cannell, or stone, as should be in or upon the leased lands, allowing reasonable compensation for damage thereby sustained), of all mines of coal and cannell under lands in Newton leased to Chas. Alexander, John Chorlton, Richard Clive, Jas. Kay, Thos. Butterworth, John Smith, Saml. Sandyford, John Hartley, Lydia Hopwood, Jas. Dunkerley, Frances Dunkerley, Joseph Holt, Wm. Holland, Richd. Taylor, John Buerdsell, James Holland and John Boardman, with power to search for and open all such mines, sink awditts and shafts, make drifts and trenches, and carry up levels and tunnels to draw the water from the mines with free use of any such existing, and power to erect pumps and engines for exhausting water, and fix dams and wears and erect cabins for implements; term, twenty-one years; rent, sixpence for every quarter of saleable coals and cannell of six and twenty baskets or thirteen horse loads and no more, to be paid monthly if required, the lessors allowing weekly three baskets of coal and cannell for every pound of candles burned and used in the works, and one basket weekly for every miner and getter for sharpening tools, and one basket weekly for every miner and getter for supporting and making good the banks; and the lessors might put in an able workman either at top or bottom of the mines to inspect the same and see that right be done to each party, the lessee paying him like wages as other workmen for like work.

On March 21, 1761, Thos. Leigh of Manchester, apothecary, leased all the mines and veins of coal, etc., in grounds then leased to John Richardson, John Boardman, Thos. Buerdsell, Mr. John Greaves, Elizth. Whittaker, spinster, John Boardman the elder, . . . Holland, widow, Elianor Lightbown, widow, Wm. Chorlton, Joseph Holt, and John Bell, for twenty-one years at the yearly rent of fifteen pence over and above all lays

and taxes for every thirty baskets of coal and slack brought up at the eye of the pitt, whether sold or otherwise used, each not exceeding thirty-one inches long, twenty-one inches broad, and ten inches deep, and to be paid quarterly or otherwise paying yearly fifty pounds.

On Sept. 6, 1761, James, son of Jonathan Makin of Newton Lane, collier, was baptized at Manchester Collegiate Church.

About 1790 a pamphlet advocating a canal from Kendal to Manchester mentions that before the Duke of Bridgewater brought his canal to Manchester (in 1760), and the Newton collieries were opened, the collieries at Walkden Moor, Middleton, Clifton, Oldham, etc., were sufficient to supply the town, but now (1790) being sold at a cheaper rate, the Duke's collieries at Worsley, "the large collieries at Newton Lane," and those collieries that served them before, are not altogether able to supply the town.

A Native's *Description of Manchester*, published in 1783 (pp. 5-7), attributes the former dearth of coals to badness of roads by frequent carting, adding that on some roads no coals could be brought but in sacks upon horses, and in addition there was the combination amongst the getters of coals, whose custom was to get coals and keep them in the pit, while they idled away their time drinking at the ale-house till they received a gratuity, levied as a tax on the carters waiting for coals, to the great loss of their time and ruin of their teams. The getters were generally given to drink and of brutal disposition. When the Duke of Bridgewater crossed the Irwell with his canal, and made a subterranean to drain his works and bring the coal in boats from the pits, all that were able and willing had employment, and no want of colliers had been experienced since, though the collieries nearest Manchester, in Newton Lane, were set to work about that time and were then first drained by a steam engine and scarcely worth getting before.

CROWN POINT.

CROWN POINT is on the south side of Back Lane.

It is a somewhat common place-name round Manchester. Johnson's Map of 1820 shows another in Denton where the Hyde Road meets the road between Hooley Hill and Denton Chapel. A third was in Stretford at the Waters Meeting.

The Newton church-yard contains a gravestone in memory of William Brown of Crown Point who died June 19, 1818, aged 66, and Hannah his wife, who died March 14, 1804, aged 57. Wm. Brown was a church-warden, and is mentioned *ante* p. 29 n. His father was named Matthew, and Matthew's grand-father, Thomas, was living in 1745. (*All Saints' Parish Magazine*, March, 1874.)

At Crown Point a queer individual lived in a circular hut and was styled the Hermit. Mr. Miller described the hut as "a round wattel or squat of twigs and mud thatched with rushes and straw." After the hermit's death his neighbours burnt it as being uncanny. (*All Saints' Parish Magazine*, Dec., 1874.)

CULCHETH.

CULCHETH-IN-NEWTON near Manchester, is south of Newton Chapel, and is not to be confounded with the place of that name in Winwick Parish, about six miles east of Newton-le-Willows, and six miles north-east of Warrington.

Culcheth is said to be a corruption of Kirk-shaw, or shagh, meaning the Church thicket, because there was a place so named in this locality in the reign of King John. (A.D. 1199-1212.)

Culcheth-in-Newton, however, probably derives its name from the settlement of a branch of the Culbeths from Culcheth, in Winwick Parish. (See Whatton's *Foundations*, vol. iii., p. 80). Butterworth in his *Statistics of Lancashire*, p. 84, alleges that Culcheth was a Mercian settlement.

In 1547 Ralph Culcheth held for a fee-rent lands in Newton near Manchester (*Lanc. Chantries*, vol. 1, Chet. Soc., lix., p. 16).

In 1552 Ralph Culcheth was a church-warden of Manchester.

He was father of Wm. Culcheth, gent., and grand-father of

Byron (or Bryan) Culcheth. (*Inventory of Church Goods*, Chet. Soc., cvii., pp. 4 and 7*n*.)

On October 3, 1556, Ralph Culcheth of Newton, near Manchester, gent., was appointed a feoffee of Manchester Free Grammar School. His son Wm. of Newton, gent., about 1577, was nominated to the trust, probably on the death of his father.

On Feb. 12, 1605-6, Bryan Kulchethe and Elline Goodyear were married at Manchester, where their children were baptised, viz.: John, May 21, 1607; William, son of Biron Culcheth of Newton, Sept. 16, 1610; Richd., Jan. 3, 1612-3; Alexr., May 14, 1615; Robert, May 23, 1619; Henry, Feb. 17, 1621-2. In 1612 and 1621 the entries call him Byron Culchethe of Manchester. He was buried at Manchester, Nov. 30, 1621, and was described as of Manchester, gent., and some of his children were buried there, viz.: Wm., Sept. 17, 1611; Alexr., May 25, 1615; Robert, Aug. 30, 1621; and Henry, Sept. 2, 1623, leaving John and Richard unaccounted for.

Mr. Higson in his *MS.*, p. 72, says:—

Culcheth Hall within Newton, according to Canon Raines, was formerly the residence of a family of whom the last was Byron Culcheth who died in 1621. Before that, however, the property had been acquired by the Byrons of Clayton Hall, and it was sold by Sir John Byron, junior, of Royton, Knt., by deed dated Feb. 10, 1614, to John Whitworth of Newton, gent., for £600. On Dec. 6, 1628, Edwd., son to Edward Wroe of Killshall (Culcheth) Hall was baptised at Manchester.

On Dec. 23, 1670, the Manchester registers record the burial of "Christopher Edmundson, mercer, deceased at Kilshaw (Culcheth) Hall in Newton, murdered." He was probably a servant at the Hall.

The hall had a pleasing prospect to the south. It was a large three storeyed brick edifice erected about 1740, in the style which displays only the heads of the bricks. Mr. Higson describes it as a genteel residence, seven windows in length, with stone quoins at the angles, and keystones above the windows.

The entrance lobby or hall is about twenty feet wide, and various family portraits were suspended on its walls. Two large ones on the left represented a Mr. and Mrs. Greaves, probably the one who had been Miss Lever, and between them was a picture of an interesting boy and girl, most likely their children.

There were also medallion portraits of a gentleman and lady, said to have been taken after death, which would account for their ghastly appearances.

Another picture was the portrait of a gentleman; another of a boy nearly nude. Another was said to be of one of Oliver Cromwell's soldiers on account of the military costume, but was apparently of the eighteenth century.

Three of the rooms were wainscotted to the ceiling. In two the oak panels were large and of modern construction, but in the third they were smaller and older in colour, and considered to be relics of the ancient structure.

In a window were two squares or quarrels in lead, on which, scratched with a diamond, was written "Mary Greaves, April y^e 3^d, 1734, Mary Greaves," and on another was "S. Lever, A. Clowes, Ih G.; Miss Greaves."

John Greaves of Manchester, apothecary, about 1708, married Jane, heiress of her late father, John Gilliam, gent., of Newton Heath. She died March 9, 1754, aged 68, and was buried at Manchester Collegiate Church.

John Greaves who possessed Culcheth Hall also owned property in Droylsden in 1730, and was High Sheriff of Lancashire in 1733. He died in October, 1739, and was buried on the 8th at Manchester.

Their children baptised at Manchester were Jane, on June 29, 1710; Mary, on Feb. 16, 1715-6; Matthew, on Nov. 12, 1717; and Sarah on Dec. 30, 1718. Their children buried at Manchester were Jane, May 3, 1711; John, Oct. 13, 1712; Jane, May 25, 1722; Sarah, June 16, 1725; Gilliam, Dec. 24, 1732; and Mary, Sept. 19, 1800, aged 83 years.

Their eldest son, Edward Greaves, Esq., of Culcheth, was born 1708, married on May 14, 1750, at Newton Heath Chapel Mrs. Martha Lever of Manchester, daughter of Sir Darcy Lever, and sister of Sir Ashton Lever of Alkington, Knt. By her he had issue, one son and several daughters.

He was a feoffee of Manchester Free Grammar School, laid the first stone of the Gentlemen's Concert Room in Fountain Street, Manchester, and died at Culcheth, Jan. 28, 1783, aged 75.

He had a daughter, Catherine, baptised at Newton Chapel, Dec. 25, 1757. His mother-in-law died at Culcheth, August 31, 1777, aged 73.

His eldest son was Edward Greaves of Culcheth and of Nettleworth Hall, near Mansfield, Notts. He was born in 1762, was High Sheriff of Lancashire in 1812, and died March 29, 1824, aged 62, and was buried within the Collegiate Church of Manchester, where a monument by Chantry is erected to his memory.

He married on April 2, 1791, Elizth. Anne Bower (daughter of Thos. Bower, Esq., of Everne, co. Dorset), who survived him.

At the death of Mrs. Greaves, the property passed to John Bradshaw, Esq., who shortly afterwards, by Royal License, took the name of John Bradshaw Greaves. He was son of James Bradshaw, Esq., of Darcy Lever, who married at Manchester Collegiate Church on Dec. 20, 1779, Jane Greaves, a sister of the late Mr. Greaves.

John Bradshaw, grand-father of Mr. Bradshaw Greaves, who was living when Mr. Higson made his notes about 1862, was a respected magistrate of Manchester, and married a daughter of Dr. Peploe, Bishop of Chester.

The property was sold to Mr. Barker, one of whose daughters married Robert Bennett, an attorney, whose son Assheton Bennett owned it in 1862.

CULCHETH BLEACH WORKS.

FROM 1825 to 1829 they were occupied by Todds and Hough. (Higson *MS.*, p. 69.)

At St. Mary's, Manchester, is the gravestone of Thos. Todd of Culcheth, who died Dec., 1824, aged 55; Elizth. his wife who died March, 1803, aged 29; also two infant children, and their grandfather Wm. Todd, who died Jan. 9, 1814, aged 69.

CULCHETH SABBATH SCHOOL.

THIS brick edifice stood in Culcheth Lane and bore a stone tablet inscribed "Culcheth Sabbath School, Methodist New Connexion, 1835." It was afterwards superseded by a neat building in Droylsden Road. (Higson *MS.*, p. 51.)

DAWSON'S.

ON Feb. 11, 1689-90, John Smith of Manchester, gent., surrendered to the Wardens and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church, a former lease, and took another of a tenement with a barn of four bays, a shippin, stable, bowk-house, &c., in Newton, lately held by Ralph Whitworth, decd., and since by Elizth. Smith, John's mother, also the yarne croft on which the house was situated, containing two roods, and a close called Ten Acres [in Ten-acre Lane], containing four acres, and two closes called *Dawson's Crofts* of one acre and another yarne croft of one acre and three roods and the Robbin Field; rent 18s.

On Feb. 12, 1696-7, John Smith of Dale, co. Chester, gent., renewed the lease. On April 8, 1711, John Hartley of Newton, yeoman, surrendered a former lease and took another of *Hartley's tenement* (see Hartley's *post*), in Newton lately held by John Hartley, decd., and since by Elizth. Hartley, also a cottage, barn, orchard, and yard, called *Dawson's* with the Round Croft and Long Croft lately held by Thos. Hulme, decd.; rent £1 14s. 8d. In Nov., 1728, Joshua Smith of Newton, carpenter, took a lease of the same premises at 4s. 6d. rent, and he was

followed in Nov., 1735, by Thos. Askew of Lancaster, innholder, who renewed at 6s. rent in August, 1750. Leave was given on October 31, 1755, to Mary, his widow and sole executrix, to assign to Joseph Wilde of Chadderton.

On Dec. 26, 1739, Rebecca Johnson of Manchester, widow, renewed her lease of these premises which had been lately held by James Johnson, decd., and partly by John Whittaker, next by John Whitworth, and afterwards by Richard Grantham; rent 21s., and a capon and carting a load of coals. In June, 1754, Jas. Whittaker of Manchester, innholder, surrendered the lease and took another of these premises, and in March, 1759, Thos. Rhodes of Newton, took a lease of *Dawson's tenement* with the Long and Round Crofts, containing two and a half acres, formerly part of Hartley's held by John Hartley, and lately held by Thos. Askew; rent 16s. Rhodes was a linnen weaver, and renewed his lease in March, 1767; rent 12s. 7d., and he further renewed it in March, 1774.

On June 8, 1768, the Rev. John Whitaker, Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, clerk, renewed his father's lease at £3 rent.

On June 8, 1761, Elizth. Whittaker of Newton, spinster, renewed for the premises first above described, formerly held by James Johnson, since by Rebecca Johnson, and lately held by James Whitaker, father of Elizth. Whitaker, rent £1 17s., a capon and carting a load of coals.

DEAN LANE.

IN 1806 the Warden and Fellows leased to James Ackers a house, barn, and fields, apparently on the east side of Dean Lane, called Mill Field, Dean Field, Smithy Field, Jackson Field, Yarn Croft, Davies Field, Lower and Higher Orchard, Home Sites, Crofts and Wood, containing twenty-two and a half Lancashire acres, and the allotment of waste land between those fields and the turnpike road. Yarn Croft is now the site of houses numbered 777 to 791 Oldham Road.

In 1846 James Ackers was lessee and George Briscoe was tenant of a house and four fields near Cheetham Fold on Back Lane, at the corner of the lane leading off southwardly to Scotland Hall, and at that time the land east of Dean Lane leading from Oldham Road northwardly into Moston was in lease to Samuel Barker's executors, and was occupied by Benjamin Shiers.

FOGG'S.

THIS says Mr. Higson in his *MS.*, p. 66, was "contiguous to and adjoining the turnpike, not being a mile from New Cross," in other words it was at Miles Platting.

Edmund Fogg is named in the Manor Court Records (*post*) in 1572, and his holding was seemingly near that of Stephen Hulme and Ralph Barne.

On Feb. 22, 1668-9, Jas. Hulme of Newton, schoolmaster, took a lease from the Wardens and Fellows of *Fogg's tenement*, lately held by Raphe Sharples, alias Foggs, and the tenement called *Barlowe's*, then held by Nicholas Barlowe; rent 13s. 9d., and a capon or hen. This is endorsed with a note:—Fine, £13 1s. 3d.; rent, 13s. 9d.; writing, 10s.

On May 22, 1681, Fogg's tenement was leased to Japheth Hulme at 12s. 7d. and a capon or hen, and in June, 1694, it was leased to William Hibbert of Manchester, butcher, who renewed in June, 1701, and 1715. In June, 1729, John Chorleton of Manchester, butcher, took the premises at a rent of 20s., and a capon or hen, and renewed it in August, 1743. William Chorlton of Manchester, butcher, renewed the lease in Nov., 1757, at 24s. rent, and he renewed in Nov., 1764, but he died before Nov. 28, 1771, when his widow Ann, with John Higginbotham of Hyde, co. Chester, as executrix and executor, renewed the lease at £1 17s. 6d. rent.

FOURHOUSES.

THE Newton Registers mention Fourhouses in Newton amongst the baptisms in 1716, and amongst the burials about 1697-9. (Higson *MS.*, p. 68.)

The place cannot be identified at the present time. There were several groups of four houses in various parts of the townships at the time when maps afford information.

GAGG'S FIELDS.

MR. HIGSON (*MS.*, p. 2), notes that Gagg's Fields derived their name from a farmer resident there "about ninety years ago" (*c.* 1770).

Mr. Owen, *MSS.*, vol. 26, p. 57, states that Gagg's farm was small and stood on the north side of Butler Lane, nearly opposite the Brown Cow public-house, within the angle formed by Shooters' Brook and a small stream that came from near Miles Platting.

It was a low structure of timber, approached by a small bridge over the brook. The house afterwards stood in Holland Street. In Nov., 1868, one of the family kept a beer-shop near at hand, and Mrs. Gaggs informed Mr. Owen that the farmhouse used to be called Butler Hall.

The gravestone of Joseph and Mary Gaggs, dated 1799, is in St. George's in the fields church-yard. The gravestone is also inscribed "Catherine, daughter of Joseph and Mary Gaggs, died July 23, 1799, aged 2 years and 7 months; also Elizabeth their daughter, died Feb. 14, 1801, aged two years and 9 months." The Register at Mount Tabor Chapel, Stockport, records:—1799, William, son of Joseph and Martha Gaggs, born Nov. 18, baptised Dec. 9.

In the Rusholme Road Cemetery, Manchester, is a gravestone to the memory of Mary, relict of Mr. Joseph Gaggs of Newton near Manchester, who died Feb. 20, 1846, in her 77th year.

In Bowdon churchyard is a gravestone inscribed:—Thos. Wainwright of Manchester, died June 17, 1818, aged 26 years; also Ann, relict of the above and wife of Ralph Weatherall, died May 13, 1831, aged 39 years; also Frances, daughter of Thos. and Ann Wainwright, died Feb. 8, 1817, aged 2 years; also Thos., son of Michael and Hannah Gaggs, died March 26,

1831, aged 6 months ; 1794, Joseph, son of [Joseph] and Mary Gags, Dec. 21st.

In May, 1777, the *Manchester Mercury* advertised to be let six closes of land of ten acres, with two cottages and a barn called Jimley's or Syddall's fields [see Browne's and Hulme Hall], lying in Newton, down Butler's Lane on the east side of the road leading to Oldham, and about half a mile from the end of Oldham Street. Apply to Thomas Holland of Greengate, Salford.

The property belonged to the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church, and their old leases show that on March 7, 1688-9, they leased to Thos. Buckley, jun., of Little Haworth, co. Lanc., gent., and John Buerdsall of Newton, [chap-]man, a cottage called *Browne's* [see *Barlowe's, ante*], with the four *Siddell's Fields* containing twelve acres, lately held by James Holland, decd., and Martha Holland, and then by Martha Holland and James son of James, paying £2 9s. 8d. rent, and two capons or hens. Buckley and Buerdsall were trustees under the Will of James the father, for James the son, who on March 5, 1709-10, as James Holland of Castleton, near Rochdale, gent., took a lease of *Pedley's Place, otherwise Hulme Hall*, Newton, with the four *Siddell's Fields* lately held by John Buerdsall as his trustee. He renewed the lease from time to time until May, 1752, and Alice his widow renewed in May, 1766, and his son James and daughter Frances, spinster, both of Rochdale, renewed in May, 1780. Thomas Holland of Greengate, Salford, who advertised in 1777, was probably a relation, and the Gags possibly after 1780 became the lessees.

THE GRANGE.

THE GRANGE, Mr. Higson says (*MS.*, p. 64), was long occupied by the Rev. James Bardsley, who was first at St. Philip's, and afterwards at St. Ann's, Manchester.

It was purchased from the Dean and Canons by the Manchester Corporation for a cemetery.

The Della Brook or Grange Brook ran through the property.

In 1815 it appears from the printed correspondence between Messrs. Barrett and Wilson, on behalf of the Trustees of Newton Chapel, and the Rev. Thos. King of Hadley, who contemplated coming to Newton as curate to Mr. Ashworth, that the Grange was a large house, belonging to Mr. Otho Hulme, who was altering it into two houses. It was described as a charming situation. The portion intended for Mr. King contained three parlours and six bedrooms, besides servants' rooms. To induce Mr. King to take the curacy a sum of £75 a year was guaranteed to him by the following parishioners, but he was not satisfied, and closed the negotiations :—Charles Barrett of "The Willows," Sebastian Nash, Thos. Todd, Joseph Todd, and Jas. Hough, each £11 ; Otho Hulme, £10 ; and Hugh Duckworth, and Messrs. J. R. and J. Yates each £5.

GRAVER LANE.

THE present Droylsden Road used to be called Graver Lane, from Newton Lane across the canal as far as Botany Bay ; from there to the easterly branch leading into Failsworth was styled New Street, and the westerly branch or continuation running down Bury Brow was called Greaves Lane.

Graver Lane was at a still earlier date known as Graver Yate (Yate meaning Gate or Road), or Heath Yate, because it traversed the great Heath of Newton, stretching from Newton Lane, now Oldham Road, to Botany Bay. It is also alleged that at Botany Bay there were gates across the road to keep the cattle grazing on the Heath from straying down the lane, and that from this circumstance that point was called Culcheth Gates.

According to an entry made in 1698 in the Newton Surveyor's Book, three of the Chapelry townships (Newton, Droylsden and Failsworth), met on June 27, 1698, in Newton Chapel Yard, "about paving the new causway" over Newton Heath betwixt Graver Yate and Chapel, and it was arranged that "Newton was

to pave it on their charge," and the others were to "load and find all the paving stones," and "did load four days' sand with draught" (haulage), "towards the repairing of the said causway betwixt Graver Yate and Chapel Yard."¹

This lane was a constant source of dispute and litigation (see preceding note), and on Feb. 2, 1780, Mr. Whittaker of Salford, as solicitor to the Newton township, made a long entry about it in the Surveyor's Book, from which it appears that in October, 1779, at the Sessions at Manchester, an indictment was traversed by Thos. Cooper of Newton, hatter, and Samuel Harding of Newton, yeoman, two inhabitants of Newton, the indictment alleging that the King's Highway from Heath Yate to the Oldham Road for 926 yards, being the road from Stockport to Rochdale, was in want of repair, and that the inhabitants of Newton township ought and were wont to repair it. The trial stood over till the Sessions in Jan., 1780, and in the meantime the Newtonians met, twice at the Shears Inn, Newton, and once at the Bull's Head, Manchester, to consider the subject. The case was tried on Jan. 22, and the prosecutors (who were some owners of estates in Droylsden, and the miller at Clayton Mill, Robt. Allen), called Jonathan Slater, Philip Bury, John Saxon

¹ The Account was entered as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
For loading stone and gravel and sand	1	2	6
For sewerage, paving, and repairing platings... ..	0	18	0
For a stone from Collyhurst	0	1	0
Arrears paid to John Burnsell [Burdell] and for a wicket [gate]	0	1	2

Disbursed in repairing old highway	2	2	8
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Laid [a rate] for this repair	2	3	1
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Making the new causeway, viz :—

For searching, digging, and filling sand	0	10	6
„ loading sand and gravel	1	18	0
„ paving	2	10	0

Paid to the Clerk of the Peace for Order and for a copy of the Indictment [showing that the arrangement was the outcome of proceedings]	1	18	2
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Disbursed in the whole	8	19	4
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As appears by the accounts of John Johnson, James Hall—			
Laid for this new repair and charge	6	18	11

(who owned property in Droylsden but lived in Ashton-under-Lyne), and John Wood, who all proved that Newton had never repaired a cartway over the Heath, and that no one ever went with a cart over the Heath between Stockport and Rochdale, or between Bury and Ashton, though carts came over the Heath from Droylsden and from Clayton Mill and perhaps elsewhere to the Manchester Market and to the Oldham Coal Pits and to the Mill at Clayton. They also proved that Newton had repaired, with sand gravel and paving and opening the side gutters, the Chapel Causeway which led from the turnpike road to the Chapel and thence to Graver Yate to give convenient access to the Chapel, and the causeway was stooped off with wooden stumps and cops of earth at the side to keep off carts and carriages from such Chapel causeway.

The verdict was that the inhabitants were not guilty.

This indictment was only one of three that were taken to the Sessions on October 14, 1779, and disposed of in the following January.

The second indictment was against Joseph Bardsley of Newton, fustian weaver, and Jonathan Wrigley of Newton, gardiner, alleging that they were liable, by tenure of lands adjoining, to repair and enlarge [!] the highway from Clayton Bridge to the Moor Stone, being 462 yards in length and two yards (!) in breadth, and leading from Stockport Market to Rochdale Market, which was very narrow and in great decay for want of repair and enlargement, so that the King's subjects could [might be able to] go by themselves or with their oxen, horses, carts, and carriages.

The third indictment alleged that John Woods of Newton, farmer, was liable, by tenure of lands adjoining, to repair and enlarge [!] another part of the same highway, from the corner of Andrew Meadow to Heath Yate, being 252 yards in length and four yards in breadth.

Richard Birchill was one of the witnesses, and the Clerk of the Peace noted on the second and third indictments, that at

the January Sessions the defendants withdrew their traverses and submitted. The cases were deemed of sufficient importance to require an order of the Court for the Sheriff to take the twelve jurymen to inspect the highway at eight o'clock on the Friday morning of the Sessions.

In 1878 Graver Lane was the subject of further litigation by the Newton Local Board against Mr. Robinson for a "Paving Account."

GRIMSHAW'S.

ABOUT 1760 this belonged to or was occupied by widow Haywood (Higson *MS.*, p. 65). Mr. Higson described the farm-house in 1862 as having several old gables and the remains of timber-framing. It stood at the side of Grimshaw, otherwise Slater Lane [in a line] between Baguley Fold and the Pinfold at the corner of Oldham Road.

In 1852 Daniel Wild occupied a farm in Grimshaw Lane on the southerly side of the canal, and it is now occupied by a Mr. Bray, and this seems to be the same as Grimshaw's.

HALL'S.

ON Feb. 27, 1671-2, Thos. Barron of Newton, yeomen, surrendered and renewed for *Halle's tenement* lately held by John Haughton, gent., decd., with the same fields. On Jan. 27, 1678, Benj. Beron of Norland, co. York, clerke, surrendered and renewed, the premises being described as lately held by John Haughton, gent., decd., and afterwards by Elizth. Beron and Benj. Beron; rent 36s. Benj. renewed in Jan., 1685-6, and Jan., 1692-3; and on Jan. 16, 1706, Mary Beron of Bradford, co. York, widow, took a lease including a close of pasture ground formerly part of *Adam Hall's tenement* containing five acres; rent £1 19s. 4d.

On June 27, 1701, Nathl. Gaskell of Manchester, gent., surrendered a lease and took a new one for three closes, part of *Adam Hall's tenement*, one called Warden's Close abutting on the north on lands occupied by Randle Kempe, and on the

south on Boardman's land, and the other two called the Priests' fields¹ abutting on the west on Warden's Close and R. Kempe's lands, and on the east on the common called Newton Heath, all of the closes being formerly held by Wm. Williamson, gent., and lately by James Lightbowne, Esq.; rent 7*s.* 8*d.*; contents thirteen Statute acres. Gaskell renewed in June, 1708, and June, 1715. Rebecca, daughter and co-heir of Nathaniel Gaskell of Manchester, Esq., married Richard Clive of Styche, Esq. She was the mother of the great Lord Clive, whose sister Sarah on August 29, 1755, married Sir John James Markham, fifth Baronet of Sedgbrooke, Notts.

Richd. Clive of Stych, Salop, gent. (Mr. Gaskell's son-in-law), renewed in Sept., 1728; rent 8*s.*; and again on Sept. 30, 1735, for the premises which Mary Beron had held with the mean (*i.e.* common) field which had formed part of Adam Hall's tenement containing five acres; rent 47*s.*; and again on Feb. 10, 1742-3. Leave was given to him on April 14, 1743, to assign to Rev. John Abbott, Lecturer of St. Andrew's, Houlborn, co. Middlesex.

This was probably only an assignment by way of mortgage, for Clive further renewed on March 13, 1749-50, and obtained leave in the following July to assign to John Bouverie of Bleachworth, co. Surrey, Esq., and to Edward Lewis of Copthall Court, London, gent. This also was probably by way of mortgage, and on April 27, 1756, license was given to assign over to Edward Greaves of Culcheth, Esq., who renewed the lease to himself on May 28, 1757, May, 1764, and again on May 28, 1771, at £6 11*s.* 10*d.* rent.

In July, 1681, Thos. Alston of Felstead, Essex, gent., took from the Warden and Fellows a lease of the tenement called *Hall's* (A.) in Newton, lately held by Henry Wrigley, decd., and Adam Hall, and then of Wm. Williamson, with closes called Warden Close, Priest Fields, Cow Leyes, Yarne

¹ The Newton Allotment Map in 1804 shows Priest fields adjoining the west side of the Common or Heath between Crown Point and the Canal.

Crofte, Meadow next the house, Great Brickhill, Wheat Close, Horse Heyes, Nearest and Furthest Clay Bank and the Meane-field, with other premises.

On Jan. 3, 1698, Thos. Mynshull of Manchester, gent., surrendered this lease, and next day John Oldfield of Manchester, gent., took a lease of the greater part containing forty-three acres, which were then or lately held by Christopher Wrightson, who was succeeded by Christopher Wrightson, jun., as appears by the renewal made in Jan., 1711-2, to John Moss of Manchester, woollen draper; rent 25*s.*, a capon and a hen, and carting a load of coals yearly when required, and John Moss renewed in July, 1716.

On July 9, 1751, Mary Wroe of Salford, widow (of Rev. Thos. Wroe, late of Newton, clerk), surrendered her lease and took a new one of Hall's tenement, formerly occupied by Christopher Wrightson and Nicholas Hughes; rent 36*s.*, and a hen and capon, and on October 11, 1753, leave was given to assign to Ralph Banks of Salford, a person of the Communion of the Church of England. Mrs. Wroe renewed on July 22, 1758, when John Wood was her tenant, and the contents were twenty-five acres and the rent 42*s.*, and on July 29, 1759, she obtained leave to mortgage afresh to Ralph Banks. She renewed on July 22, 1765, when she resided at Ratcliffe, rent £3 5*s.*, and still resided there in July, 1772, when she again renewed the lease.

On June 11, 1669, Thos. Holte of Newton, husbandman, surrendered his lease to the Warden and Fellows, and renewed it for the tenement in Newton called *Hall's* (B.) lately held by Henry Holte, decd., also the two Foure Acres, Higher, Lower, Further and Nearer Carre, twelve and a half acres; rent 14*s.* 9*d.*, and two capons or hens. The lease was renewed in June, 1676, by Henrye Holte, Thos. having died. Henry further renewed in June, 1683, 1690, and June, 1697, when carting a load of coals for the lessors was added to the rent. John Holt of Newton, husbandman, renewed in June, 1711, and Joseph

Holt of Newton, chapman, did so in June, 1725; Rent 18s., two capons or hens, and carting a load of coals, and he further renewed in July, 1740, and April, 1757. In April, 1764, it was renewed by John Holt of Newton, chapman. He died before April, 1771, when his administrator, Edmund Taylor of Bury, chapman, renewed for twenty-one years at 50s. rent, and carting a load of coals yearly in summer to the Warden's house in Manchester from the coal pitt, the Warden paying for the coal at the pit. Taylor further renewed in April, 1778.

HARDY'S.

HARDY'S WELL and Hardy's Fold were marked on the Ordnance Map in 1845, in Monsall Lane.

Mr. Higson in his *MS.*, p. 64, says:—Turning down Holt Lane¹ to the left [or north, and before reaching Monsal], we come to Hardy's Fold.

This farm may be the "Barn's Estate in Monshall Lane," which had sittings in Newton Chapel appurtenant to it. (Higson *MS.*, p. 64, and see Barne's, *ante*.)

Mr. Higson gives the following fuller description in "*A Day's Archaeological Stroll in Newton and Failsworth*," March 29, 1862.

The house was half timbered, rising from a strong stone basement. The front had three gables and a dormer window. On the lintel of the entrance door in the rear was inscribed I.S. and the date MDCXVI (1616) in old capital letters, and a modern repetition of this appeared on a stone in the brickwork above.

The lobby passed right through the house. The interior had a somewhat ornate mantelpiece and fire-grate in the genteel style of 1780 or thereabouts. A view of the back of the buildings is given in the Owen *MSS.*, vol. 26, p. 330.

¹ Otherwise Monsal Lane. There was another Holt Lane in Failsworth passing Booth Fold.

In 1845 James Sandiford held the lease under the Dean and Canons, and John Palfreyman was the occupant.

In 1862 Robert Broomhead was the tenant.

HARTLEY'S. (See Dawson's, *ante*.)

ON April 26, 1683, John Hartley of Newton, yeoman, surrendered a previous lease to the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church, and took a new one of the tenement in Newton called *Hartley's*, formerly held by John Hartley, decd., and since by Elizabeth Hartley; rent 32s., and he renewed it in April, 1704, including a cottage, barn, orchard and yard, called *Dawson's*, and the Long and Round Crofts containing three acres and three roods, formerly part of the holding but lately held by Thos. Hulme of Newton, decd., rent, 34s. 8d. He renewed (excluding *Dawson's*), in April, 1711, and Dec., 1728, contents 29 acres, rent 40s., and *Dawson's* was leased to Joshua Smith of Newton, carpenter, on Nov. 2, 1728.

On August 1, 1750, Thos. Askew of Lancaster, innholder, surrendered a lease and took one of *Dawson's* cottage and Long Croft, part of *Hartley's* lately held by Joshua Smith, but then by Askew, rent 6s., and leave was given on October 31, 1755, to Mary Askew, widow, and sole executrix of Thos. Askew, to assign to Joseph Wilde of Chadderton, but on March 15, 1759 and 1767, Thos. Rhodes of Newton, linnen weaver, took up the lease at 12s. 7d. rent, and he renewed in March, 1774.

On August 30, 1743, the lease of *Hartley's* was granted to Alice Howard, widow of John Howard, late of Newton, yeoman, who had lately occupied the premises, and she was allowed to assign to Jonathan Lees of Manchester.

On Dec. 2, 1764, Thos. Battersbee of Manchester, ironmonger, took a lease of *Hartley's tenement*, containing thirty acres, one rood and twenty-four perches, at £2 1s. 6d. rent, and he renewed in 1778.

HEATH BREWERY.

IN 1872 it was owned by Joseph and William Hulton, but the

place has since then been entirely rebuilt. It is now the property of Councillor Wm. Thos. Rothwell, who belongs to a Bury family, who, for several centuries and until recently, were large farmers on Lord Derby's estate there.

HEATH CLOSE.

THIS was a farm of about three acres, with three wattle and daub cottages which stood at the south corner of Scotland Fold Lane, and were taken down about 1817. Their occupants were Robinson, Pollitt, and Harrison. They, along with the Clough Fold Estate, were leased to Colonel Ackers about 1802. At the end of the sixteenth century an old woman named Slater lived here, and was a noted corn shearer. According to tradition her son's name was Joddy. (Jos. Miller in *All Saints' Parish Magazine*, July, 1874.)

HEATH GREEN. (See Lunatic Asylum, *post*).

HEATH HALL.

THIS stood in Newton Lane (Oldham Road), at the end of Droylsden Lane. It was an old house with little pretention, and a modern bay window. A new wing fronting towards Fails-worth was more imposing. John Barratt, Esq., formerly lived here up to about 1855, and he was succeeded by the late Edward Nightingale of the firm of Dixon & Co.

HODGKINSON'S.

ON Dec. 15, 1675, Raph Hodgkinson of Newton, linnen webster, took from the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church, a lease of the *Hodgkinson tenement* in Newton lately held by Raph Hodgkinson; rent 13s., and a capon or hen at Christmas. He renewed in Dec., 1682, but in Jan., 1696-7, and Jan., 1710-1, John Johnson of Newton, yeoman, became lessee, and he renewed in Jan., 1731-2, and in Sept., 1737, obtained leave to assign.

Ralph Worthington the elder of Audenshaw, yeoman, became lessee in April, 1739, at a rent of 16s. and a capon or hen, and obtained leave to assign or transfer a few days later, and afterwards further leave to transfer to John Turner of Godley, co. Chester, mason, who renewed the lease in July, 1753, in trust for Elizth. Winterbottom for life, and after her death for his own use. He further renewed in Dec., 1760, and Dec., 1767.

HOLLAND'S.

ON April 20, 1668, Thos. Barron of Newton, yeoman, surrendered an old lease and took a new one from the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church of closes held by him, formerly part of *Geo. Holland's¹ tenement*, lately held by Geo. Holland apart from the rest of that tenement, and adjoining lands held by Thos. Baron, which were formerly held by Peter Torkington. The closes were called the Nearer *Meane* [*i.e.*, Common] *Field* (sometimes called the *Meane Meadowfield*), the Further Meane Field and the White Croft, rent 9s. 4d.

Twenty years later, in Sept., 1688, Joseph Clegg of Newton, chapman, and Easter Clegg his wife, surrendered and became lessees of *Holland's tenement*, formerly held by Geo. Holland, decd., and lately by Wm. Williamson, and the three closes above-named lately held by Benj. Baron, clerk, rent 18s. 8d.

On Sept. 13, 1695, Daniel Gaskell of Clifton, Eccles Parish, gent., and Sarah Gaskell his wife, surrendered and renewed. In Sept., 1702, John Leech of Manchester, chapman, surrendered and renewed, and again in Sept. 1709, 1716, 1723, and October, 1737, rent 29s.

On Oct. 23, 1744, John Clough of Manchester, chapman, surrendered and renewed, and again in October, 1751, and Nov., 1758, rent 36s. 6d.; and in Nov., 1765, rent £3 2s. 6d.

¹ The Hollands were lessees of Hulme Hall from 1709 to 1780.

HOLLINGWORTH'S.

ON Dec. 10, 1674, Edward Wroe of Newton, gent., surrendered and renewed a lease of *Whitworth's (B) tenement* in Newton, formerly held by Richd. Whitworth, decd., and then by Edwd. Wroe, and Travise's tenement, formerly held by Richd. Whitworth and then by Edwd. Wroe, and closes in same tenure called The Croft, Little and Great Traves Field, Black Acre Meadow, containing five acres and two roods, and *Hollingworth's tenement* in Newton in same tenures; rent £2 os. 11d. On Dec. 10, 1681, this lease was surrendered and renewed so as to include *Hollinworth's tenement* with the Twoe Acre, Three Acres, Half Acre, and the Hiron, containing seven acres and one rood of the [Lancashire] measure there used, and four closes called Kiln Croft, Twoe Acre, Burnt Earth, and Higher Barnefield, containing four acres, lately held by Robt. Bowker, decd., and then by John Bowker, and formerly part of *Bowker's tenement*; rent £2 os. 11d. This was renewed on Feb. 12, 1689-90.

On Feb. 24, 1699-700, Edwd. Wroe, jun., son and heir apparent of Edwd. Wroe, sen., of Newton, gent., renewed the lease, but in Feb., 1713-4, Nathaniel Gaskell of Manchester, gent., renewed it.

In Sept., 1728, it was described as formerly held by Ambrose [Saunders?], of Manchester, chapman, and the lease was on that date, and in Sept., 1735, renewed by Richd. Clive of Stych, Salop, gent., who further renewed in Feb., 1742-3, and in April that year he obtained leave to mortgage it to the Rev. John Abbot, lecturer at St. Andrew's, Houlborne, co. Middlesex, clerk.

On May 28, 1757, Edwd. Greaves of Culcheth-in-Newton, renewed for *Whitworth's and Hollinworth's tenements*, and in May, 1764, he renewed for *Whitworth's, Travise's, and Hollinworth's*; rent 49s. On May 28, 1771, Mr. Greaves renewed for *Whitworth's (B), Bowker's, and Adam Hall's*, with Warden's Close, etc.; rent £6 5s. 0d.



HOLT LANE FARM.

MR. HIGSON enters this name on his notes, p. 59, but gives no particulars; probably he meant Hardy Farm in Monsal Lane. On the same page he also notes the name "Holt Lane-end" without particulars, but this is most probably an intended Failsworth item.

John Holt of Newton was living in 1690. (Higson *MS.*, p. 64.)

On April 27, 1738, James Holt of Newton, in Manchester Parish, chapman, was married at Stretford Chapel to Ellen Lever of Chetham, spinster. (Higson *MS.*, p. 67.)

Further references to Holts will be found in "Hall's B" and "Hardy's," *ante*.

HULME HALL OR PEDLEY'S PLACE.

HULME HALL or Pedley's Place was situate on the west side of Hulme Hall Lane nearly opposite the Manchester Steel Works. (Higson's *MS.*, p. 46). A view of the back of the building is given in the Owen *MSS.*, vol. 26, p. 328.

One division of the hall contained a remarkable stone fireplace, popularly ascribed to Humphrey Chetham, the tradition being that the hall was founded at the time of the College about four hundred years ago.

There were four piles of building distinct but adjoining one another. Mr. Higson describes the most westerly as a sort of dubdown of modern erection, the second had a frontage built about 1750, and a rear which was the most ancient of the whole and rested on crooks, the third was probably built between 1580 and 1600, and the fourth or easterly part early in the seventeenth century.

The hall had five gables with nothing striking about them.

In the crook part a pair of crooks met in the gable like a pointed arch. The other gable had a pair which, owing to the extension, formed part of the interior. The rest of the timbered pile had large panes or plaidings, with here and there a diagonal bracing rib. The foundation was of huge dressed stones.

In 1862 the old hall was licensed as a beer-house under the sign of the The Old House at home, and the tenant was Mrs. M. A. Stelfox, who described it as containing a wilderness of places, which they could never make look tidy. Some of the older doors were slightly pointed, had hinge-bands shaped like *fleurs de lis*, two opened with a finger hole. In the best-room or bar-parlour was a closet or recess that was thought to have been the entrance porch or the chimney nook. The room had a fine stone chimney piece of ample proportions. Overhead the floors were of old oak.

The third section already mentioned was used as a hatter's work-room. The fourth was used as a stable. The third was panelled from top to bottom with oak, ornamented with a fluted moulding. The fire-place was immense, measuring eleven and a half feet across within the jambs. Narrow stairs led to an upper room with a large, wide, curious, fire-place, and chimney breast, which Mrs. Stelfox declared had as much stone in it as would build a factory now-a-days. It was of rough ashlar, the front had nine courses or stages receding like steps. It projected about five feet ten inches, and its opening was about the same size as the one below. The hearthstone was slightly raised. On each side of the fire-place was a small cupboard-like recess.

The walls were filled in between the posts and beams with raddlings and daub, set on hazel sticks. The upper room was also wainscotted in oak, up to the ceiling. The beams and joists had chamfered edges, and in one of the original three light windows the mullions had ogee moulding and filletting.

In 1552 Ralph Pedley was one of the Manchester Churchwardens, and in the same year on October 4, Richard Pedley was a juror at the Manchester Court Leet. Under the Will dated July 22, 1553, of Edwd. Janny of Manchester, merchant, John Pedley received a legacy of 40s. On Dec. 21, 1555, at the Manchester Court Leet, Rauff Pedley was found to have died since the last Court, leaving his son Edmund as his heir. It

seems probable that ^{*}Pedley's Place (otherwise Hulme Hall, Newton), took its name from some member of this family.

On June 20, 1540, Warden Geo. Colyer and the Fellows, appointed Wm. Browne and Raphe Byrch, their attorneys, to enter a tenement in Newton called *Pedley Place*, late in the occupation of Robert Laborey, decd.,¹ and give possession to *Stephen Hulme* and Alice his wife, according to an Indenture to them made that day.

The Collegiate Church Charters show that the College tenantry in 1556 included a Hugh and Stephen Holme, and in 1578 a Robt. Holme. (See Lessees' Grievances, 1586, amongst the Newton Court Records, *post*). In 1585, Robert died and was succeeded by his eldest son Ralph. (See Newton Court Records, *post*). On Feb. 7, 1607-8, Robert Holme of Newton had a son baptised at the Collegiate Church, and in 1635 he was a tenant of College land at Newton.

On Jan. 17, 1563-4, Warden Thos. Herle and the Fellows demised to Stephen Browne of Manchester, yeoman, a tenement in Newton for a term, which Browne assigned to Edwd. Siddall, who assigned it to Stephen Becke of Manchester, yeoman, who on Nov. 18, 1567, for £33 6s. 8d., assigned it to *Robert Hulme* of Newton, gent. (Lanc. MSS., vol. xxiv., pp. 411-421).

The Newton Registers contain a copy of a Greek epitaph (which appears on a tombstone in the chapel-yard), with the following Latin translation by the Rev. J. Gaskell, incumbent:—
Christo ejus omnino benigno Servatori. Hic dormit corpus Jacobi Hulme, olim de Newton, Ludimagistri, Qui obiit anno ab ejus ortu 74^{to}, et a natu Domini 1679^{mo}. Omnis quidem immortalis Gloria semper Deo. (In Christ his gracious Saviour, here sleeps the body of James Hulme, formerly school-master of Newton, who died in the year from

¹ In 1540 Isabel Labrey, widow of Robt. Labrey, filed a bill in the Duchy Chancery against Sir Alexr. Radclyff, Knt., and Thos. Becke respecting title deeds of lands, &c., in Manchester and Newton (Lanc. and Ches. Rec. Soc., vol. 35, p. 136). Robt. Labrey is mentioned in the Newton Court Records in August, 1530.

his birth the 74th, and from the birth^{*} of the Lord the 1679th. To the immortal God glory be for ever). Mr. Hulme the school-master is mentioned in connection with Fogg's (*ante*).

On March 5, 1709, James Holland of Castleton, co. Lanc., gent., renewed a lease of *Pedley's Place* or *Hulme Hall* with a cottage called *Brown's* and four closes called *Siddall's Fields*, containing twelve acres lately held by John Buerdsell in trust for James Holland; rent £2 9s. 8d. A memorandum is endorsed that the fine was £38 9s. 8d., and making [the deed] 18s.

On March 5, 1716, Holland renewed the lease for twenty-one years and was allowed to make marl pitts, to get marl and use it on the land to better and amend it, also to quick set and to use sufficient timber growing on the land with consent of the lessors. It was still in lease to him in March, 1730-1, when he further renewed being then of Ratchdale, gent., and again renewed in April, 1745, when the rent was raised to £3 18s., and two capons or hens at Christmas. He further renewed in May, 1752, and Alice Holland of Rochdale, widow, renewed in May, 1766, at £7 7s. 6d. rent. Frances Holland of Rochdale, spinster, and James Holland of that place, woolstapler, renewed in May, 1780. See also Fishwick's *Rochdale Parish*, p. 159.

INNS.

THE chief Inns in Newton were along Oldham Road, and were the White Hart or Buck Inn, Miles Platting; the Cross Keys, Three Crowns, Shears Inn, and King's Arms, also the Hillock public-house, and these are described in the section dealing with Newton about 1772, *ante*, and other references to them will be found on consulting the index, which also contains entries relating to ale-drappers, ale-sellers, beer-houses, inn-keepers, publicans, and victuallers, besides those concerning the Bay Horse or Grey Mare, the Woodman, Duke of York, and the Dog and Partridge at the corner of Hulme Hall Lane and Oldham Road,

The Wills, &c., proved at Chester, included those of Richard Ball of Newton, innkeeper, 1718; Charles Baxter of Newton, maltster, 1743; Thos. Stirrup of Newton, innkeeper, 1745; Thos. Mather of Newton, innkeeper, 1758; Thos. Brecks of Newton, in Manchester Parish, innkeeper, 1773; Peter Venables of Newton, publican, 1797; and John Whitehead of Newton, innkeeper, 1800. Possibly some of these relate to Newton-in-Makerfield.

In October, 1809, Joshua Sidebotham of Newton, victualler, married Miss Margt. Horrobin of Manchester, at Manchester Collegiate Church; in July, 1812, Joseph Grimshaw of Fails-worth, publican, married Miss Alice Proctor of Manchester, at the same place; and in October, 1814, James Standing of [White Hart?] Miles Platting, innkeeper, married Mrs. Elizth. Heywood of Shudehill, at the same place.

On March 19, 1814, Cowdroy's *Manchester Gazette* stated:—Died on Monday morning, aged 64, Mr. William Booth of the Three Crowns, Newton Heath, near this town. He was a character much respected for honest and blunt integrity. (Higson *MS.*, p. 44). His namesake, Bill-o'-Booth's, is mentioned by Ridings in the *Village Festival*, and by Waugh in *Roads out of Manchester*.

KEMP'S.

ON April 13, 1675, Thos. Kempe of Newton, yeoman, took a lease from the Warden and Fellows of Manchester Collegiate Church of the tenement in Newton called *Kemp's*, with a cottage and garden lately held by Randle Kempe, father of said Thos.; rent 26s. 6d. and a capon or hen. He renewed his lease on March 31, 1682, and April 18, 1689.

His son Randle Kempe, Newton, yeoman, who was also his executor, renewed on May 1, 1703, and again on May 1, 1710, when he was described as of Manchester, innkeeper. In May, 1717, John Wagstaffe of Glossop, co. Derby, gent., renewed the lease, in trust for Thos. Kempe of Prestwich.

On October 28, 1749, John Lingard of Newton, chapman, renewed the lease of *Kemp's tenement*, with the Long Meadow, two Round Meadows, Meadow to the Lane, two Lower Fields, Pinfold Fields, two Blackfields, four Damfields, Clough, two Crofts, two Orchards, a cottage and garden containing twenty-four acres, formerly held by John Wagstaffe and then lately by Elizabeth Garside; rent 32s., and a capon or hen. Lingard renewed in June, 1757 and 1764, and in June, 1771, his executors, John Hyde of Failsworth, chapman, and Thos. Hadfield of Simonley, co. Derby, gent., renewed at £4 13s. 9d. rent, and Hyde, as executor, further renewed it in June, 1778.

KENYON'S.

ON Sept. 20, 1675, John Kenyon, jun., of Newton, yeoman, took a lease from the Warden and Fellows of the Collegiate Church of *Kenyon's tenement* in Newton, lately held by Raph Kenyon; rent 19s.

In Sept., 1682, Nicholas Ryder of Manchester, chapman, became lessee, and in October, 1696, Alexr. Lightbowne of Pendleton, chapman, took up the lease.

Mary Lightbowne of Manchester, widow, became lessee in October, 1710, and renewed in 1717, and Hannah Lightbowne of Badsworth, co. York, widow, renewed in October, 1724, at 22s. rent. She renewed at 25s. rent in 1731, and at 29s. in July, 1746. In Dec., 1753, Timothy Lightbown of Macclesfield, apothecary, took the lease of these premises, which were stated to have been formerly held by John Lightbown, decd., at 30s. rent; and in Dec., 1760, Eleanor Lightbown of Macclesfield, widow, administratrix of Timothy, renewed and obtained leave to assign to Edwd. Hudson of Manchester, chapman, who renewed the lease in Dec., 1767, at £2 10s. rent, and, Edwd. having died, it was renewed in March, 1782, by Thos. Hudson of Manchester, gent., at £3 2s. 6d. rent, who obtained leave on May 5, 1785, to transfer to Ralph Milner of Manchester, blacksmith.

LEECH'S.

ON Feb. 13, 1665-6, Joseph Leech of Newton, chapman, renewed a lease of a tenement in Newton, then or lately held by Joseph Leech, rent 13s. 4d. and a capon or hen. (See Barne's, *ante*.)

On Dec. 14, 1695, he renewed, including the Barley Croft and Alice Croft, rent 15s. 8d. and a capon or hen.

LIBRARY.

A FULL account, with a view of the interior, of the Newton Heath Free Library is contained in Credland's *Manchester Public Free Libraries*, Manchester, 1899. It was opened on Sept. 28, 1891, with 4,828 volumes, a number which has since been very largely increased. Mr. Credland relates how this most useful Institution owed its origin to a meeting, held in the Primitive Methodist School, Dean Lane, in April, 1886, which led up to a Town's Meeting on Dec. 13 that year, when the Library Acts were adopted, and the resolution was confirmed by a poll of 1544 votes against 1185. Thereupon the Local Board resolved to add a Free Library and School of Science and Art to their intended Township Buildings, which were to include Public Baths and a Public Assembly Hall, and the buildings were erected by Wm. Southern & Sons of Salford, under the designs of Mr. Lawrence Booth, of the firm of Booth & Chadwick of Manchester, architects.

A tablet in the Library records the names of the members of the Local Board at the time of its erection, and another records the benefactors, who contributed £240 towards the cost of books for the Library, and amongst these the more notable were:-

	£		£
William Vickers	100	Mechanics' Institute Trustees	46
W. Holland & Sons	50	(Alderman Geo. Evans, W.	
John Marsden	10	T. Evans, Jas. Evans, S. L.	
Councillor J. Garlick	10	Chadwick, J.W. Williamson).	
In Memoriam (David Burton)	5	Councillor W. T. Rothwell,	
G. A. Chambers	3	treasurer of Newton Heath	
		Jubilee Fund, surplus	
		balance	14

Besides these money contributions, Councillors Morgan and H. Tetlow gave the *Encycl. Brit.*, and E. M. Dixon, John Burton, and Councillor Trevor presented an admirable selection of books.

The first book borrowed was *Self Help* by Smiles, which was taken out by Mr. Alderman (now Sir) John Mark, who performed the opening ceremony, aided by Alderman Jas. Wm. Southern, Chairman of the Manchester Free Libraries Committee, Alderman (now Sir) W. H. Holland, and 700 of the inhabitants and their friends.

LUNATIC ASYLUM.

THIS was otherwise called Heath Green. It was a private Asylum, licensed by the Justices annually at their October Quarter Sessions, for five or six patients.

In 1825 it was kept by David Haigh.

In 1845 Mrs. Jane Haigh was the proprietress, and the license was dropped about 1850.

MANCHESTER STEEL WORKS.

MANCHESTER Steel Works and Miles Platting Steel Works are synonymous. They also went by the name of Norton & Co.'s Steelworks, when (about 1860) they were the scene of an abominable outrage on the late Superintendent James Bent, then a Sergeant in the County Police and stationed at Newton Heath. The story is told in chapter vii. of Mr. Bent's *Criminal Life*, pp. 75-80. The case attracted a great deal of attention at the time of its occurrence, and was the subject of newspaper headlines, "Horrible burning with red-hot irons." The outcome was that the two men chiefly concerned were sentenced at Liverpool Assizes to twenty years' penal servitude, and Mr. Bent felt the effects of his injuries until his death on July 8, 1901. He was promoted to be inspector in 1863, when he left Newton Heath, and was the recipient of a handsome testimonial from the inhabitants.

The Works are on the east side of Hulme Hall Lane, nearly opposite Hulme Hall, and bear an inscription "Manchester Steel Works, established in 1840."

MILES PLATTING.

It was so called, as already shown, from a culvert or bridge, locally termed a platting, by which the high road crossed the boundary brook at about a mile's distance from the New Cross in Manchester. (Higson *MS.*, p. 2.)

Fielding in his *Rural Historical Gleanings*, 1852, p. 213, records that about 1822 the inhabitants were neither numerous nor knowing, and went by the nickname of Platting Gawbies. He adds that the Miles Platting Mechanics' Institute in Argyle Street was built in 1836 at the expense of Sir Benjamin Heywood, Bart., who owned property in that neighbourhood, after he had started in January, 1834, a Day School for his tenants' children in a large room over the Heywood Arms, with Mr. David Winstanley as teacher; and a Sunday School was established at the end of September of the same year. Further particulars are given of the Institute near which in August, 1849, Sir Benjamin began the erection of baths and wash-houses, of which Marmaduke Burnell was the architect and builder.

On July 2, 1715, Joseph Hill of Newton, brushmaker,¹ took a lease of a cottage in Newton near y^e *Miles Platting*, lately held by John Sandiford, decd.; rent 1s. yearly. He renewed in Nov., 1737, when he was described as of Manchester, and the rent was doubled; he renewed again in July, 1744, at 3s. rent, and in August, 1765, at 5s.

On August 1, 1772, John Hill of Manchester, chapman, renewed, when the premises were described as two messuages. John further renewed in August, 1779, when he was styled of Manchester, merchant.

¹ In October, 1888, Pickering and Chatto, book-sellers, advertised for sale at a guinea "a most interesting agreement on parchment, dated June 20, 1700, between Richard Wroe, D.D., Warden, and the Fellows of Manchester College, and Joseph Hill of Newton, brushmaker, in reference to lands near Manchester." (Higson *MS.*, p. 98.)

On August 1, 1800, John Etock of Newton, innkeeper, renewed the lease, and the premises were stated to have been formerly held by Ann Hill, Wm. Steel, and Samuel Edgley; rent 18s.

MILL, *i.e.*, NEWTON WATER MILL.

MR. HIGSON in his *MS.*, p. 48, notes that in 1710 a baptism is entered on the Newton Registers mentioning the Mil-gate, but he was unable to say where either the Mill or Millgate were situated. He, however, conjectured that the Mill was on the Medlock [at Clayton] near Culcheth, and that Captain Whitworth was, in 1710, the owner.

In 1741 the Gorton Chapel Registers mention Jeremiah Henshaw of Clayton Milne, innkeeper. (Higson *MS.*, p. 56.)

On Nov. 15, 1757, a large body of men from near Oldham, rudely armed, met on Newton Heath, and proceeded to destroy Mr. Hawthorn's Corn Mill at Clayton. They proceeded thence to Manchester and engaged in a riot, which was afterwards known as the Shudehill Fight. (Higson *MS.*, p. 48.)

Jo. Miller in *All Saints' Parish Magazine*, October, 1874, describes three mills, one in Failsworth called Clayton Mill, at Millhouses near Clayton Bridge, on the north of the Medlock (this one was the mill which was destroyed in 1757); the second lower down the Medlock at Whitworth's Weir near Bank Bridge (destroyed in 1648 by a crowd led by Humphrey Chetham's nephew); and the third was not on the Medlock but was on the Dean Brook, where Barlow's print works stood in 1874, and was called old Moston Mill.

MONKEY HOUSE.

MR. HIGSON in his *MS.*, p. 65, says:—A little nearer to Newton than Grimshaw Lane end there once stood a farmhouse called Monkey House, perhaps from some well-known Jacko brought by a traveller or sailor.¹

¹ Jo. Miller in *All Saints' Parish Magazine*, Dec., 1874, says the place took its name from a performing monkey which was kept there about 1750 by a Frenchman,

In 1755 the property was occupied by Widow Johnson and a few years later it belonged to Miss Whittaker, and was the residence of John Worsley.

The site is now (1862) occupied by cottage property.

John Whitaker of Newton, yeoman, had a daughter named Mary, buried at Manchester Collegiate Church on June 10, 1653. Martha Whitaker of the same place, who was very likely another daughter of John, was born in 1652 and died in January, 1717-8. She married George Lloyd of Manchester, manufacturer, who was born on Dec. 11, 1651, and died on August 2, 1728. Their son Gamaliel Lloyd of Manchester, manufacturer, was born on August 13, 1676, and his son George in 1751 became the purchaser of Hulme Hall, Hulme, from the Blands. Gamaliel died June 17, 1749. (Corry's *Lanc.*, vol. ii., p. 480.)

About 1755 Mr. Lloyd had seats in Newton Chapel in right of his property in the Township. (Higson *MS.*, p. 66.)

MONSAL.

THE name Monsal is probably a compound of a proper name with A.S. *hale*, a slope, as the termination, and may be compared with Crumpsal on the west slope of the Irk valley, about a mile north-west.

The name was often loosely applied to all the land between Moston Brook and Oldham Road. The part nearest the brook was best entitled to the name Monsal Estate, and it did not belong to the Warden and Fellows.

The Monsal Estate formerly belonged to Edward Chetham, who sold it to James Kay of Manchester, yeoman, who sold it to Joseph Holt, who by Will dated April 19, 1748, left it to his son John, whose only son and heir, John, sold it in 1791 to Thomas Bradshaw, who sold it in 1795 to John Lowe.

who also kept a bear for baiting. Wellock's Farm was built on the site of some old cottages belonging to this farmstead. Mr. Miller tells how this bear one night escaped and frightened Shiner-o'th'-Peeps, a valiant ploughman from Culcheth Hall, who was guarding the grave of a servant from the Hall against Resurrectionists,

In 1804 John Lowe's widow (as owner of a messuage or dwelling-house, with loom-house, barn, &c., formerly in Thomas Hyde's occupation, and two Monsoe Fields and a Wood on the northerly side thereof towards Moss Brook, containing five acres [Lancashire measure?], formerly the inheritance of Edwd. Chetham), received an allotment of Heath and Waste to compensate Mrs. Lowe for defraying the cost of the Newton Heath Enclosure Act, which Mr. Lowe had agreed to obtain. The younger John Holt mortgaged the Monsal property to Miss Ellen Park who transferred the mortgage in 1793 to Isabella Jackson of Frodsham.

Monsal is first named in the Newton Court Records (*post*) about 1573.

Mr. Higson in his *MS.*, p. 65, states that Monsal is named in the Newton Chapel Register in 1687, when Anthony Hyd of Monsal had a child baptised, and it is again mentioned in 1713.

In 1760 the Monshall Estate was owned by James Gorton [as lessee probably], and occupied by Little Gorton, as appears by the list of seat-holders in Newton Chapel.

In 1804 Mrs. Frances Harding owned the estate (see description of Allotment Map), and Holt's and Harding's are named in the notices already given of Barne's Estate and Hardy's Farm in Monsal Lane.

In 1825 Joshua Andrew, grocer, occupied Monsal House.

In 1845 James Sandiford owned and occupied the house and estate according to the Tithe Map and Schedules, and Mr. Higson (*MS.*, p. 65), states that Mr. Sandford (*sic*) resided there in 1852.

The non-College part was purchased by the Manchester Infirmary Trustees for the purposes of a Fever and Infectious Diseases Hospital, in place of continuing the dangerous practice of attempting to deal with cases of that kind within the restricted area of the Infirmary grounds, or anywhere near the centre of the city.

Finally the property was transferred on October 1, 1896, under an Act of Parliament, from the Infirmary Trustees to the Manchester Corporation.

At one time it belonged to, or was occupied by Mr. W. C. Chew, grandfather of Mr. W. L. Chew, now of Hankelow Court, Nantwich, co. Chester. He resided at Monsal House, and an oil picture possessed by his grandson shows him on horse-back in hunting costume riding over the fields, with Monsal House in the background.¹

In 1837 Mr. W. C. Chew was owner of property in Moston, occupied by Mr. Faulkner. At St. Mary's Church, Deansgate, Manchester, there was a gravestone in memory of Theophilus Chew, who died Nov. 5, 1839, aged 67, and his wife Alice, and their children Sarah, Richd., Jane, ob. inf., also Margaret, wife of John Wood, who died April 6, 1821, aged 79 years.

Monsal Cottage is marked on Johnson's Map in 1820, where Monsal Silk Dyeworks are marked on the six inch Ordnance Map of 1845, at which time, according to the Tithe Map, the property belonged to Richd. and John Hethorne, and was occupied by Martha Hull. It was situate north-west of Monsal House, between it and the Moston Brook.

¹ Riding's, the Failsworth poet, in his verses "Death of the Hare," tells how when a child living in "our cottage on the green," he saw "about a hundred" hunters, ten of them in scarlet, with "three score of dogs," hunt and kill a hare.



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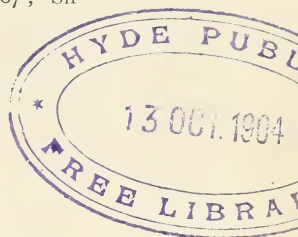
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FOUR volumes have been issued to the members of the Chetham Society since the last Annual Meeting, namely, *The Portmote or Court Leet Records of Salford*, vol. ii., edited by Mr. J. G. de T. MANDLEY, being the third volume for 1900-1, and the 48th of the new series; *The Life of Humphrey Chetham*, by the late Rev. Canon RAINES and Mr. C. W. SUTTON, in two volumes, which, with Mr. H. T. CROFTON'S *History of the Ancient Chapel of Stretford*, vol. iii., form the three volumes for 1901-2, and the 49th, 50th, and 51st of the New Series.

The Council has, unhappily, to record the death of the editor of the first of the foregoing books. Mr. Mandley lived only a few months after the completion of a task accomplished in the face of many difficulties in the scanty leisure afforded by his engrossing business and public duties. *The Portmote Records of Salford*, though not of the first importance of their class, are still valuable for the curious and interesting glimpses they give of the social condition of the borough in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. In his introduction, Mr. Mandley has skilfully summarised some of the lessons to be learnt from the Records, and has amplified and explained the prominent names, topographical allusions, and curiosities of local government. Lists of Stewards and Boroughreeves of Salford from 1597 to 1669 are given in an appendix, which is followed by full indexes to names, places, and miscellaneous topics.

By the publication of the *Life of Humphrey Chetham* a duty is discharged that has lain upon the Council since the foundation of the Society, sixty years ago. Three distinguished members of the Society, the Rev. J. T. Allen, Dr. William Fleming, and the Rev. Canon Raines, devoted much thought and labour to the subject, but only the last named made any substantial progress with the compilation of a memoir. Fourteen years after Canon Raines' death, the revision and completion of his manuscript were undertaken by the Honorary Secretary, who did not then foresee the long and tedious and often disappointing labours which lay before him in examining masses of ill-arranged or entirely unarranged seventeenth century papers.

Circumstances drew Humphrey Chetham into association with several matters of public moment, and the Council venture to think that the members of the Society will welcome the details that are given of his work in connection with the Manchester Collegiate Church, and with the collection of ship money and other duties appertaining to the treasurership and shrievalty of the County of Lancaster. Many letters of Richard Johnson, Master of the Temple, and other friends of Chetham, are included, some of them of considerable interest to students of the Civil War and Commonwealth. The pecuniary difficulties of the local gentry during this troublous period are well illustrated by the history of their business transactions with Chetham. To Chetham's great foundation of his Hospital and Library full attention is naturally given, and the editor has thought it well to be rather lavish in furnishing (in Appendices) carefully revised transcripts of the Founder's Will and Inventory, and the Charter of the Hospital; Commemoration Addresses, Lists of Feoffees, Librarians and House Governors, and a bibliography, in addition to copies of the curious bills of expenses incurred at Chetham's funeral. As a final appendix, Mr. Ernest Axon has contributed a most valuable genealogy of the Chetham family, drawn from original sources and correcting many errors in previous pedigrees.

Mr. CROFTON'S *History of the Ancient Chapel of Stretford* is brought to a conclusion in the volume now issued, and the Council expresses its obligations to him for the great pains he has taken in his enterprise. In his chapter on "Places" he deals with a great variety of topics, from inns and coaching to schools and churches. Other

chapters are devoted to the Trafford crest, arms and mottoes, and to a detailed history of the Trafford family. Biographies of notable natives or residents of the parish are then given, followed by a chapter of "Miscellaneous History," and concluding with an Appendix of Deeds. A remarkably copious index is provided by Mr. Crofton to each of the three volumes, whilst the volume now under notice contains thirty-nine views and portraits, including six of members of the Trafford family. These illustrations have been generously furnished by Mr. Crofton at his own cost.

The Council are happy to report that the final volume of Mr. W. O. ROPER'S *Materials for the History of the Church of Lancaster* will be ready for the press almost immediately.

The Rev. E. F. LETTS has, unfortunately, been compelled by failing health to relinquish his project of writing the *History of Newton Chapel*. Mr. CROFTON has kindly consented to arrange the available materials for that work, and in fact has already made not a little progress in it. He will be glad of any papers or references with which his fellow-members (or others) can favour him.

Mr. C. T. BOOTHMAN has been prevented by the state of his health, and by other impediments, from finishing his *Account Book of Sir Nicholas Shireburn*, but he now has better hope of being able to proceed with it.

Among the books in progress is a *History of Lytham*, by Colonel FISHWICK, in completion of his series of histories of the Fylde parishes. Also the following, *Chartulary of Cockersand Abbey*, by WILLIAM FARRER, vol. iii.; a Supplement to John Byrom's *Poems and Remains*, edited by the PRESIDENT; and a volume of *Chetham Miscellanies*.

The books in contemplation include *Lists of Lancashire Protestors of 1641-2*; early documents relating to Manchester, including those embraced in Mr. Harland's *Mamecestre*; a new edition of Hollingworth's *Mancuniensis*; a collection of *Cheshire Civil War Tracts*; and a reprint of George More's rare tract on Demoniactal Possession in Lancashire, 1600.

The Council regret to record the death of the Ven. Archdeacon Rawstorne; of Mr. Thomas Read Wilkinson, who for many years acted as one of the auditors; of Mr. Alfred Patchett, of Southport; and, as already mentioned, of Alderman Mandley.

Dr.

The Treasurer in Account with the Chatham Society for the year ending February 28th, 1903.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By 165 Subscriptions for current year	165	0	0			
„ 15 do. Arrears collected	15	0	0			
„ 29 do. paid in advance	29	0	0			
	—	—	—	209	0	0
„ Books sold to Members				25	13	4
„ Dividends on £200 Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway 3% Preference Stock				5	12	7
„ Bank interest				3	15	0
				244	0	11

Audited and found correct,

JOSEPH THOMPSON, } Auditors.
W. H. BAILEY, }

March 25th, 1904.

J. JOSEPH JORDAN, Treasurer.

Balance from March 1st, 1902 315 4 2

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To James Clegg :—						
Vol. 46, Salford Portnote Records, Vol. I.	109	15	0			
„ C. Simms & Co. :—						
Vol. 47, Chetham Miscellanies, Vol. I. 92 0 1						
Paid on account (<i>see below</i>)	75	0	0	17	0	1
Reported at last meeting	93	2	6			
Less appropriated above	75	0	0			
	18	2	6			
Paid on account this year	173	0	0	173	0	0
Total advanced for printing in progress	£191	2	6			

„ Sundry printing	13	2	8
„ Sutton & Co., Carriage of Volumes	6	1	5
„ Engrossing on Vellum, Address of Congratulation to the Owens College upon its 50th Anniversary ..	0	5	6
„ Guardian Fire Assurance Co.	0	10	0
„ John Light, Indexing Portnote Records	2	8	0
„ Honorary Secretary—Postage, &c.	2	10	0
„ Treasurer—Postage, &c.	0	16	0
„ bank for Stamps and Postages	0	11	6

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The Chetham Society.

THE Sixtieth Annual Meeting of the Chetham Society was held in the Audit Room of the Chetham Hospital, on Tuesday, October 6th, 1903. Dr. A. W. WARD, President of the Society, occupied the Chair, and among those present were Colonel Fishwick, Vice-President; Mr. J. J. Jordan, Treasurer; Mr. C. W. Sutton, Hon. Secretary; Professors T. N. Toller, T. F. Tout, and James Tait; Messrs. J. H. Nodal, G. H. Hankinson, Henry Brierley, James Turner, Ernest B. Leech, Henry Guppy, Ernest Broxap, W. S. Churchill, Charles J. Heywood, W. E. A. Axon, G. C. Yates, C. Roeder, A. Sparke, J. H. Holt, J. J. Phelps, and B. H. Mullen.

The Annual Report was read by Mr. C. W. Sutton, the Honorary Secretary, and the Statement of Accounts was presented by Mr. J. J. Jordan, Treasurer.

In moving the passing of the Report and Treasurer's Statement, Dr. Ward said :—

“MR. VICE-PRESIDENT and GENTLEMEN—Since, some two years ago, the signal honour of the Presidency of this Society was conferred upon me, I have naturally been anxious to find an opportunity of expressing to you in person my sense of this most undeserved and, I may truly add, wholly unexpected, distinction. It is too late in the day to elaborate a *nolo episcopari*; but I think that at the time none of you discredited my diffidence—if only because you could not but compare my qualifications for this office, both with those of the eminent historical scholar (the late Bp. of Oxford) who had consented to fill it just before he was, too soon, taken from us—and with those of my actual predecessor, your and my honoured friend, the late Mr. Christie, who loved the studies which this Society was founded to promote with no common love, and did as much to foster them in this country, and especially in this part of it, as any other contemporary of ours. When I think of him, and of those who preceded him or worked with him, and of those who have in the days of his declining strength, and since we have lost him, carried

on the work of the Chetham Society—some of them I now see before me—I feel indeed abashed at having ventured even in thought to set myself in this chair; and this afternoon I feel very acutely that the period ought still to have been extended, during which my mouth should remain closed, like that of a newly-elected Cardinal. At all events, it seemed to me that it would be highly unbecoming on my part to add anything of my own to the Sixtieth Annual Report of the Society, drafted by its Hon. Secretary, to whose experience, tact, and indefatigable devotion it is so deeply and enduringly indebted. If, instead, you will allow me to offer a few observations which may seem not altogether uncalled for from one whom your indulgence has placed in my present position, I will try in return not to abuse your patience. I will leave unsaid much that is in my mind, and not detain you by dwelling on the enhanced value of the labours of this Society at a time, little dreamt of, 'tis sixty years since, when this city has become the seat of a national university, and when an active interest in historical and archæological studies in this community is as essential to the realization of the true academical ideal, as an eagerness for more modern forms of scientific research. I will only say that if this growth is to expand from firm roots, so far from its delocalising our intellectual interests, it will necessitate a heightening and deepening of what has so long marked Manchester and Lancashire—a true pride in their own past and a determination to honour its traditions as among the best assured elements of present and future vitality. I see with pleasure in the list of volumes in preparation by the Vice-President and others how local and national history come into living contact with, and beneficially supplement, one another. I hope therefore that this Society and its work are destined to flourish in the old way, but with even more than the old support in this great community and its neighbourhood; and that the heart of your Treasurer, who has so long made the fiscal interests of the Society his own, may be rejoiced by a continuous accession of new members. For the roll of the old members must always be growing less, and I sincerely regret that this year again several valued friends and supporters should have been taken from us. Among their names I find that of my old friend Mr. T. R. Wilkinson, who had a warm heart for the encouragement of sound literary lore; and we have also lost Mr. Alderman Mandley, who in the last year of his busy life

was able to complete a work both curious and valuable in archæological research, *The Portmote Records of Salford*, which forms one of the volumes last issued to our Members.

Another of the publications which the Council is this year able to offer to the Society—the third and final volume of Mr. Crofton's *History of Stretford Chapel*—will, I feel sure, give to many of its readers the pleasure which it has given to myself. How many a perambulation of the Stretford lanes has it recalled, and how many interesting memorials of the past has it, so to speak, brought before eyes that blindly passed them by! How varied a picture the book opens of the life of the past: from the records of the great family whose fortunes were for centuries associated with those of Stretford, to the story of its churches and chapels and of educational institutions of a day happily quite gone by, like 'Old Johnson's Schools.' The very boggarts seem to flit along the lanes, and all Boeotia makes its annual invasion in the shapes (if shapes they be) of thousands of pigs. But most interesting of all is the list of personalities of Stretford's past—not a few of them known to us by tradition, and some better in life—a list ending with Walker of the *Original*, an original himself and a fine English writer, of whom I once used to hear much in the house of his descendant, good old Dr. Eason Wilkinson of Greenheys, and beginning with John Eglington Bailey, to whom this Society and Manchester antiquarian research owe so much, and of whom I cherish with pride the remembrance that he was for a short time a pupil of mine in the evening classes at the old Owens College. He was, I need hardly add, a pupil who, as is sometimes the case in the academical world, learnt very much less from me as a student than he taught to me out of class.

It is curious that of one of the chief benefactresses of Stretford—Miss Hinde—no memorial should exist, though many a Green Coat scholar cannot have failed to cherish pious thoughts of her munificence. I see that Mr. Crofton conjectures that her foundation was suggested by a more famous one at Manchester, and this seems all the more probable, inasmuch as her house in Fennel Street was close to the Hospital where we now are assembled, and which bears the honoured name of Humphrey Chetham.

And this brings me to what I feel assured you will all join with me in regarding as the most important publication of the year, and as one on

which I may be allowed to congratulate both the Society and our Hon. Secretary. Mr. Sutton, to whom our Society is already deeply indebted for many and long services generously given to it, has now rendered it the crowning service of completing the *Life of Humphrey Chetham*, begun by the late Canon Raines ; and I think myself fortunate in being allowed to thank Mr. Sutton on behalf of the Society, as well as on that of all who are interested in the history and good name of Manchester, for carrying out so successfully the labour of love imposed on him by the late Mr. Christie, when our President. The task has been a most onerous one, for it has involved the examination of a very large quantity of documentary materials belonging to the period already treated by Canon Raines, and of others belonging to the far more important years (whether from the point of view of public or of private history), from 1642 to the date of Chetham's death, which Canon Raines had left untouched. But onerous as it was, its execution could no longer be postponed. Though Humphrey Chetham has not, like Mrs. Hinde of Stretford, remained altogether uncommemorated, the honours paid to one of Manchester's chief benefactors, whose name must go down to posterity with Hulme and Owens and Whitworth and Rylands, has been rather tardy. The statue which the Feoffees of this Hospital agreed in 1676 to erect, was not actually erected till 1853, just 200 years after the Founder's death, and then only through the piety of an individual, the late Mr. George Pilkington. The tomb which was to be placed in the Cathedral was never placed there, though Mr. Pilkington also dedicated a stained window in those hallowed walls to Chetham's memory. Other memorials have since followed, and perhaps not the least worthy of him was the foundation of the Society bearing his honoured name in 1843. Now at last, sixty years after that date, we hold in our hands the most appropriate (because it is the most lasting) tribute that can ever be paid to a man of high merit, namely, an adequate literary record of his life and actions.

I find it difficult to select from the notes I made after perusing these most interesting volumes only one or two of the points of interest with which they abound. I therefore leave aside all matters referring to the Chetham family (I see we have it on no less an authority than that of Sir Henry St. George, Norroy King at Arms, that the *e* is long ; so that is settled for all time) ; and only repeat the obligations which Mr.

Sutton acknowledges to Mr. Ernest Axon for the very complete genealogies with which he has enriched this volume. Whether or not Humphrey Chetham was justified when as High Sheriff he assumed the de Trafford arms as borne by the Chethams of Nuthurst, the real founder of the fortunes of Humphrey's branch, the Crumpsall Chethams, was his brother George, the great London mercer with whom Humphrey, the Manchester chapman, was assisted not only in their commercial interests, but also in their charitable conceptions and foundations. As the brothers gradually turned their eyes to the object of every prosperous Englishman's personal ambition, the acquisition of land, they, and Humphrey in particular, entered into intimate relations with the landed interests in this part of England, with whose sentiments and opinions his own were in unison. In his later years Humphrey's activity as a man of business thus became practically that of a banker—or a money-lender, if all implication of underhand dealing or grasping purpose be kept at a distance. No doubt he was acting in his own interests, and thus became the owner of fine estates and seats, but he was at the same time the friend of those whom he helped as a man of business, even of those whose lands passed into his own possession.

These business relations, which have a great interest for students of our social and industrial history, connect themselves very directly with Humphrey Chetham's opinions and principles in matters of Church and State, as to which again he was at one with his brother George, whose will is reproduced by Mr. Sutton and who is described by him as 'a picture of the testator, a friend to Church and State, and an opponent of the Puritans.' Humphrey's ecclesiastical views shewed themselves most distinctly in his dealings with the Collegiate Church, of which for many years he acted as Bursar, or manager of its funds, of course a purely honorary office. Some of the most interesting reading in this book will be found in the account given here of the affairs of the Collegiate Church, of the doctrinal slackness and the corruption into which it had sunk under the wardenship of Sir Richard Murray, a Scotch knight, imposed on it by King James' royal mandate; of the ineffective intervention of Archbishop Abbott, and the vigorous action by which it was succeeded on the part of Archbishop Laud. The services of the Collegiate Church were improved, and in all these changes Richard Johnson, one of the Fellows who afterwards became Master of the

Temple, and his friend Humphrey Chetham actively co-operated. Finally, Humphrey Chetham furnishing the pecuniary means, a new Charter was obtained for the Collegiate Church—a task declared by the Bursar to be as difficult as the rebuilding of St. Paul's; Murray was deprived; a new Warden appointed; and important restrictions followed in the Church fabric.

Very soon Humphrey Chetham, who had thus come to the front in ecclesiastical affairs, was obliged to take up an even more prominent position in political business. He had declined a knighthood, and paid the fine then still exacted for a refusal of this compulsory honour; but he could not refuse the High Sherifship, although he was one, says our *History*, 'who was sought out for honours, but never sought them.' As High Sheriff he had the disagreeable task of levying Ship Money, but characteristically spared the clergy as much as possible in the levy. On the other hand he showed no other hesitation about it, and during his term of office also supported, though with very scant results. Laud's and the King's unpopular scheme for raising a national fund for the repair of St. Paul's. During the Civil troubles which broke out in 1641-2, he began by siding with the Court, and acted as collector of subsidies; but he soon found it necessary, in the interests of the community as well as in his own, to take up a neutral position. It was a notable sign of the recognition on both sides of his worth as a citizen, that in 1643 he was appointed Treasurer at Manchester for the moneys paid for the maintenance of the soldiery by the order of Parliament, and that in 1647 the same authority named him Receiver General of Assessments levied in Lancashire. In 1649 the Lords and Commons paid him the unwelcome compliment of naming him High Sheriff for the second time, but this nomination he at last managed to get annulled, being then 69 years of age. With Pride's Purge, which drove all the Lancashire members out of the House of Commons, his personal relations with the powers that were seem to have come to an end, and this may have contributed to turn his mind more entirely during the last four years of his life to works of charity and beneficence.

Of these I have left myself no time to speak, but they are known to us all, and the monuments of them are around us as I address you. In his last will, Humphrey Chetham omitted any reference to other schemes previously entertained by him, such as a provision for the aged

poor, and others for the foundation of bursaries at Oxford and Cambridge, for the augmentation of ministers' stipends ; but he extended the charity for educating and starting in life poor and deserving boys, for which he had already found a home on Lord Derby's half-sequestered estate in the College, and bequeathed a considerable sum for the foundation of a public library in Manchester, together with five minor libraries in the city and its neighbourhood. The history of these foundations has been previously written, and is therefore not repeated in Mr. Sutton's volumes. A blessing has rested on Humphrey Chetham's Hospital and its *alumni* during many generations ; and in this assembly at least it will not seem old-fashioned to say the same of the Library of which he was the founder, and his old friend Richard Johnson, to all intents and purposes the first librarian. For active benevolence and sound learning are well mated ; and in Humphrey Chetham's foundations as well as in his life, of which the records are now fairly and fully before us, true piety in action went hand in hand with reverential gratitude for Heaven's best gifts to the minds of men. May the Society which bears his name long help to preserve his memory, and to foster the spirit which pervaded his useful and noble life."

Mr. W. S. Churchill seconded the adoption of the Report and Balance Sheet, and the resolution was carried.

Mr. Charles J. Heywood proposed and Mr. Henry Guppy seconded the re-election of the Council, and the appointment of Sir W. H. Bailey as one of the Auditors in place of the late Mr. T. R. Wilkinson.

The thanks of the Society to the Feoffees of the Chetham Hospital for the use of the room were voted on the motion of Professor Tout, seconded by Mr. J. H. Nodal.

Dr. Ward was thanked for his services as president during the last two years on the motion of Professor Tait, seconded by Mr. Henry Brierley.



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